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(57) Abstract: Objective methods for detecting and diagnosing pancreatic cancer (PNC) are described herein. In one embodiment, the diagnostic method involves determining the expression level of PNC-associated gene that discriminates between PNC cells and normal cells. The present invention further provides methods of screening for therapeutic agents useful in the treatment of pancreatic cancer, methods of treating pancreatic cancer and method of vaccinating a subject against pancreatic cancer.

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### DESCRIPTION

# METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING PANCREATIC CANCER

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### PRIORITY INFORMATION

This application claims priority to United States Provisional Application Serial No.60/414,872, filed September 30, 2002, and Serial No.60/450,889, filed February 28, 2003, and which are incorporated herein by reference.

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# TECHNICAL FIELD

The invention relates to methods of diagnosing pancreatic cancer.

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Pancreatic cancer has one of the highest mortality rates of any malignancy, and the 5-year-survival rate of patients is 4%. 28000 patients with pancreatic cancer are diagnosed each year, and nearly all patients will die of their disease (1). The poor prognosis of this malignancy is a result of the difficulty of early diagnosis and poor response to current therapeutic methods (1, 2). In particular currently no tumor markers are identified that allow reliable screening at an early, potentially curative stage of the disease.

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cDNA microarray technologies have enabled to obtain comprehensive profiles of gene expression in normal and malignant cells, and compare the gene expression in malignant and corresponding normal cells (Okabe et al., Cancer Res 61:2129-37 (2001); Kitahara et al., Cancer Res 61: 3544-9 (2001); Lin et al., Oncogene 21:4120-8 (2002); Hasegawa et al., Cancer Res 62:7012-7 (2002)). This approach enables to disclose the complex nature of cancer cells, and helps to understand the mechanism of carcinogenesis. Identification of genes that are deregulated in tumors can lead to more precise and accurate diagnosis of individual cancers, and to develop novel therapeutic targets (Bienz and Clevers, Cell 103:311-20 (2000)). To disclose mechanisms underlying tumors from a genome-wide point of view, and discover target molecules for diagnosis and development of novel therapeutic drugs, the present inventors have been analyzing the expression profiles of tumor cells using a cDNA

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microarray of 23040 genes (Okabe et al., Cancer Res 61:2129-37 (2001); Kitahara et al., Cancer Res 61:3544-9 (2001); Lin et al., Oncogene 21:4120-8 (2002); Hasegawa et al., Cancer Res 62:7012-7 (2002)).

Studies designed to reveal mechanisms of carcinogenesis have already facilitated identification of molecular targets for anti-tumor agents. For example, inhibitors of farnexyltransferase (FTIs) which were originally developed to inhibit the growth-signaling pathway related to Ras, whose activation depends on posttranslational farnesylation, has been effective in treating Ras-dependent tumors in animal models (He et al., Cell 99:335-45 (1999)). Clinical trials on human using a combination or anti-cancer drugs and anti-HER2 monoclonal antibody, trastuzumab, have been conducted to antagonize the proto-oncogene receptor HER2/neu; and have been achieving improved clinical response and overall survival of breast-cancer patients (Lin et al., Cancer Res 61:6345-9 (2001)). A tyrosine kinase inhibitor, STI-571, which selectively inactivates bcr-abl fusion proteins, has been developed to treat chronic myelogenous leukemias wherein constitutive activation of bcr-abl tyrosine kinase plays a crucial role in the transformation of leukocytes. Agents of these kinds are designed to suppress oncogenic activity of specific gene products (Fujita et al., Cancer Res 61:7722-6 (2001)). Therefore, gene products commonly up-regulated in cancerous cells may serve as potential targets for developing novel anti-cancer agents.

It has been demonstrated that CD8+ cytotoxic T lymphocytes (CTLs) recognize epitope peptides derived from tumor-associated antigens (TAAs) presented on MHC Class I molecule, and lyse tumor cells. Since the discovery of MAGE family as the first example of TAAs, many other TAAs have been discovered using immunological approaches (Boon, Int J Cancer 54: 177-80 (1993); Boon and van der Bruggen, J Exp Med 183: 725-9 (1996); van der Bruggen et al., Science 254: 1643-7 (1991); Brichard et al., J Exp Med 178: 489-95 (1993); Kawakami et al., J Exp Med 180: 347-52 (1994)). Some of the discovered TAAs are now in the stage of clinical development as targets of immunotherapy. TAAs discovered so far include MAGE (van der Bruggen et al., Science 254: 1643-7 (1991)), gp100 (Kawakami et al., J Exp Med 180: 347-52 (1994)), SART (Shichijo et al., J Exp Med 187: 277-88 (1998)), and NY-ESO-1 (Chen et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 94: 1914-8 (1997)). On the other hand, gene products which had been demonstrated to be specifically overexpressed in tumor cells, have been shown to be recognized as targets inducing cellular immune responses. Such gene products include p53 (Umano et al., Brit J Cancer 84: 1052-7 (2001)), HER2/neu (Tanaka et

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al., Brit J Cancer 84: 94-9 (2001)), CEA (Nukaya et al., Int J Cancer 80: 92-7 (1999)), and so on.

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In spite of significant progress in basic and clinical research concerning TAAs (Rosenbeg et al., Nature Med 4: 321-7 (1998); Mukherji et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 92: 8078-82 (1995); Hu et al., Cancer Res 56: 2479-83 (1996)), only limited number of candidate TAAs for the treatment of adenocarcinomas, including colorectal cancer, are available. TAAs abundantly expressed in cancer cells, and at the same time which expression is restricted to cancer cells would be promising candidates as immunotherapeutic targets. Further, identification of new TAAs inducing potent and specific antitumor immune responses is expected to encourage clinical use of peptide vaccination strategy in various types of cancer (Boon and can der Bruggen, J Exp Med 183: 725-9 (1996); van der Bruggen et al., Science 254: 1643-7 (1991); Brichard et al., J Exp Med 178: 489-95 (1993); Kawakami et al., J Exp Med 180: 347-52 (1994); Shichijo et al., J Exp Med 187: 277-88 (1998); Chen et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 94: 1914-8 (1997); Harris, J Natl Cancer Inst 88: 1442-5 (1996); Butterfield et al., Cancer Res 59: 3134-42 (1999); Vissers et al., Cancer Res 59: 5554-9 (1999); van der Burg et al., J Immunol 156: 3308-14 (1996); Tanaka et al., Cancer Res 57: 4465-8 (1997); Fujie et al., Int J Cancer 80: 169-72 (1999); Kikuchi et al., Int J Cancer 81: 459-66 (1999); Oiso et al., Int J Cancer 81: 387-94 (1999)).

It has been repeatedly reported that peptide-stimulated peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from certain healthy donors produce significant levels of IFN-γ in response to the peptide, but rarely exert cytotoxicity against tumor cells in an HLA-A24 or –A0201 restricted manner in <sup>51</sup>Cr-release assays (Kawano et al., Cance Res 60: 3550-8 (2000); Nishizaka et al., Cancer Res 60: 4830-7 (2000); Tamura et al., Jpn J Cancer Res 92: 762-7 (2001)). However, both of HLA-A24 and HLA-A0201 are one of the popular HLA alleles in Japanese, as well as Caucasian (Date et al., Tissue Antigens 47: 93-101 (1996); Kondo et al., J Immunol 155: 4307-12 (1995); Kubo et al., J Immunol 152: 3913-24 (1994); Imanishi et al., Proceeding of the eleventh International Hictocompatibility Workshop and Conference Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1065 (1992); Williams et al., Tissue Antigen 49: 129 (1997)). Thus, antigenic peptides of carcinomas presented by these HLAs may be especially useful for the treatment of carcinomas among Japanese and Caucasian. Further, it is known that the induction of low-affinity CTL in vitro usually results from the use of peptide at a high concentration, generating a high level of specific peptide/MHC complexes on antigen

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presenting cells (APCs), which will effectively activate these CTL (Alexander-Miller et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 93: 4102-7 (1996)).

### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

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The invention is based on the discovery of a pattern of gene expression correlated with pancreatic cancer (PNC). The genes that are differentially expressed in pancreatic cancer are collectively referred to herein as "PNC nucleic acids" or "PNC polynucleotides" and the corresponding encoded polypeptides are referred to as "PNC polypeptides" or "PNC proteins."

Accordingly, the invention features a method of diagnosing or determining a predisposition to pancreatic cancer in a subject by determining an expression level of a PNC-associated gene in a patient derived biological sample, such as tissue sample. By PNC-associated gene is meant a gene that is characterized by an expression level which differs in a cell obtained from a PNC cell compared to a normal cell. A normal cell is one obtained from pancreas tissue. A PNC-associated gene is one or more of PNC 1-605. An alteration, *e.g.*, increase or decrease of the level of expression of the gene compared to a normal control level of the gene indicates that the subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC.

By normal control level is meant a level of gene expression detected in a normal, healthy individual or in a population of individuals known not to be suffering from pancreatic cancer. A control level is a single expression pattern derived from a single reference population or from a plurality of expression patterns. For example, the control level can be a database of expression patterns from previously tested cells. A normal individual is one with no clinical symptoms of pancreatic cancer.

An increase in the level of PNC 1-259 detected in a test sample compared to a normal control level indicates the subject (from which the sample was obtained) suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC. In contrast, a decrease in the level of PNC 260-605 detected in a test sample compared to a normal control level indicates said subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC.

Alternatively, expression of a panel of PNC-associated genes in the sample is compared to a PNC control level of the same panel of genes. By PNC control level is meant the expression profile of the PNC-associated genes found in a population suffering from PNC.

Gene expression is increased or decreased 10%, 25%, 50% compared to the control level. Alternately, gene expression is increased or decreased 1, 2, 5 or more fold compared to the control level. Expression is determined by detecting hybridization, *e.g.*, on an array, of a PNC-associated gene probe to a gene transcript of the patient-derived tissue sample.

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The patient derived tissue sample is any tissue from a test subject, e.g., a patient known to or suspected of having PNC. For example, the tissue contains an epithelial cell. For example, the tissue is an epithelial cell from a pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma.

The invention also provides a PNC reference expression profile of a gene expression level of two or more of PNC 1-605. Alternatively, the invention provides a PNC reference expression profile of the levels of expression two or more of PNC 1-259 or PNC 260-605.

The invention further provides methods of identifing an agent that inhibits or enhances the expression or activity of a PNC-associated gene, e.g. PNC 1-605 by contacting a test cell expressing a PNC-associated gene with a test agent and determining the expression level of the PNC associated gene. The test cell is a epithelial cell such as an epithelial cell from a pancreatic adenocarcinoma. A decrease of the level compared to a normal control level of the gene indicates that the test agent is an inhibitor of the PNC-associated gene and reduces a symptom of PNC, e.g. PNC 1-259. Alternatively, an increase of the level or activity compared to a normal control level or activity of the gene indicates that said test agent is an enhancer of expression or function of the PNC-associated gene and reduces a symptom of PNC, e.g., PNC 260-605.

The invention also provides a kit with a detection reagent which binds to one or more PNC nucleic acids or which binds to a gene product encoded by the nucleic acid sequences. Also provided is an array of nucleic acids that binds to one or more PNC nucleic acids.

Therapeutic methods include a method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject by administering to the subject an antisense composition. The antisense composition reduces the expression of a specific target gene, e.g., the antisense composition contains a nucleotide, which is complementary to a sequence selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259. Another method includes the steps of administering to a subject an short interfering RNA (siRNA) composition. The siRNA composition reduces the expression of a nucleic acid

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selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259. In yet another method, treatment or prevention of PNC in a subject is carried out by administering to a subject a ribozyme composition. The nucleic acid-specific ribozyme composition reduces the expression of a nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259. Other therapeutic methods include those in which a subject is administered a compound that increases the expression of PNC 260-605 or activity of a polypeptide encoded by PNC 260-605.

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The invention also includes vaccines and vaccination methods. For example, a method of treating or preventing PNC in a subject is carried out by administering to the subject a vaccine containing a polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or an immunologically active fragment such a polypeptide. An immunologically active fragment is a polypeptide that is shorter in length than the full-length naturally-occurring protein and which induces an immune response. For example, an immunologically active fragment at least 8 residues in length and stimulates an immune cell such as a T cell or a B cell. Immune cell stimulation is measured by detecting cell proliferation, elaboration of cytokines (e.g., IL-2), or production of an antibody.

Alternatively, the present invention provides target molecules for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer. According to the present invention, 76 (PNC 606-681), 168 (PNC 682-849) and 84 (850-933) genes were identified as genes that showed unique altered expression patterns in pancreatic cancer cells with lymph-node metastasis, liver metastasis and early recurrence, respectively. Thus, malignant pancreatic cancer can be treated or prevented via the suppression of the expression or activity of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741. Furthermore, recurrence of pancreatic cancer can be treated or prevented via the suppression of the expression or activity of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-893. Moreover, malignant pancreatic cancer can also be treated or prevented through enhancing the expression or activity of down-regulating genes in cancerous cells.

The present invention also provides methods for predicting recurrence of pancreatic cancer. The method comprises the step of measuring the expression level of marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-879. The marker genes were identified as genes that show unique altered expression patterns in pancreatic cancer cells of patients with recurrence within 12 month after surgery. Therefore, recurrence of the pancreatic cancer in a subject can be predicted by determining whether the expression level

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detected in a sample derived from the subject is closer to the mean expression level of early-recurrent cases or late-recurrent cases in reference samples.

Unless otherwise defined, all technical and scientific terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. Although methods and materials similar or equivalent to those described herein can be used in the practice or testing of the present invention, suitable methods and materials are described below. All publications, patent applications, patents, and other references mentioned herein are incorporated by reference in their entirety. In case of conflict, the present specification, including definitions, will control. In addition, the materials, methods, and examples are illustrative only and not intended to be limiting.

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One advantage of the methods described herein is that the disease is identified prior to detection of overt clinical symptoms of pancreatic cancer. Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following detailed description, and from the claims.

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1A is a photograph of a hematoxylin and eosin stained pancreatic cancer (well-differentiated type) before microdissection.1A1 is the same sections after microdissection. 1A2 is a photograph of the microdissected cancer cells captured on the collecting cap.

Figure 1B is a photograph of a hematoxylin and eosin stained pancreatic cancer (scirrhous type) before microdissection. 1B1 is the same sections after microdissection. 1B2 is a photograph of the microdissected cancer cells captured on the collecting cap.

Figure 1C is a photograph of normal pancreas containing greater than 90% acinar cell.

Figure 1D is a photograph of microdissected normall pancreatic ductal epithial cells.

Figure 2 is a photograph of a DNA agarose gel showing expression of representative 12 genes and TUBA examined by semi-quantitative RT-PCR using cDNA prepared from amplified RNA. Lanes 1-12 each show the expression level of the genes in a different PNC patient. Gene symbols are noted for the genes. The last lane shows the expression level of each gene in a normal individual.

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Figure 3 Dendrogram of two-dimensional hierarchical clustering analysis using 76 genes selected by a random-permutation test which compared expression profiles of 9 lymph-node positive cases with those of 4 lymph-node negative cases. In the vertical axis, 35 genes were clustered in the upper branch, indicating relatively high levels of expression in lymph-node positive cases.

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Figure 4 Dendrogram of two-dimensional hierarchical clustering analysis using 168 genes selected by a random-permutation test which compared expression profiles of 5 liver-metastasis-positive cases with those of 6 negative cases. In the vertical axis, 60 genes were clustered in the upper branch which was more highly expressed in liver-metastasis-positive cases.

Figure 5 (A) Result of a two-dimensional hierarchical clustering analysis using 84 genes selected by a random-permutation test which compared expression profiles of 7 early-recurrent cases (within 12months after surgery) with those of 6 late-recurrent cases (over 12 months after surgery). In the vertical axis, 84 genes were clustered in different branches according to similarity in relative expression ratios. (B) Optimization of the number of discriminating genes. The classification score (CS) was calculated by using the prediction score of early-recurrent case (PSr) and late-recurrent case (PSn) in each gene set, as follows.  $CS=(\mu_{PSr}-\mu_{PSn})/(\sigma_{PSr}+\sigma_{PSn})$ . A larger value of CS indicates better separation of the two groups by the predictive-scoring system. (C) Different prediction scores appear when the number of discriminating genes is changed. Red diamonds represent early-recurrent cases; blue diamonds denote late-recurrent cases.

# **DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

Generally pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma has a characteristic of highly desmoplastic stromal reaction, only a low percentage (about 30%) of cancer cells are contained in the tumor mass. Furthermore, normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells, which recently considered to be the normal counterpart of the pancreatic adenocarcinoma, occupied only less than 5% of the total population of cells composing the organ 'pancreas' (7, 8). Hence, the gene-expression analysis of PNC compared to normal pancreas by using whole tissue is distorted by the contamination of needless cells such as fibroblast, inflammatory cells, acinar cells, etc., and results in "noisy data". Therefore Laser capture microdissection (LCM),

or Laser microbeam microdissection (LMM), a method for isolating pure cell populations, was used to obtain specific cancer cells and normal epithelial cells (9,10).

The present invention is based in part on the discovery of changes in expression patterns of multiple nucleic acids in epithelial cells from adenocarcinomas of patients with PNC. The differences in gene expression were identified by using a comprehensive cDNA microarray system.

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The gene-expression profiles of cancer cells from 18 PNCs were analyzed using cDNA microarray representing 23,040 genes couples with laser microdissection. By comparing expression patterns between cancer cells from diagnostic PNC patients and normal ductal epithelial cells purely selected with Laser Microdisection, 259 genes were identified as commonly up-regulated in PNC cells, and 346 genes were identified as being commonly down-regulated in PNC cells. In addition, selection was made of candidate molecular markers with the potential of detecting cancer-related proteins in serum or sputum of patients, and discovered some potential targets for development of signal-suppressing strategies in human PNC.

The differentially expressed genes identified herein are used for diagnostic purposes as markers of PNC and as gene targets, the expression of which is altered to treat or alleviate a symptom of PNC.

The genes whose expression levels are modulated (*i.e.*, increased or decreased) in PNC patients are summarized in Tables 3-4 and are collectively referred to herein as "PNC-associated genes", "PNC nucleic acids" or "PNC polynucleotides" and the corresponding encoded polypeptides are referred to as "PNC polypeptides" or "PNC proteins." Unless indicated otherwise, "PNC" is meant to refer to any of the sequences disclosed herein. (*e.g.*, PNC 1-605). The genes have been previously described and are presented along with a database accession number.

By measuring expression of the various genes in a sample of cells, PNC is diagnosed. Similarly, measuring the expression of these genes in response to various agents can identify agents for treating PNC.

The invention involves determining (e.g., measuring) the expression of at least one, and up to all the PNC sequences listed in Tables 3-4. Using sequence information provided by the GeneBank<sup>TM</sup> database entries for the known sequences the PNC-associated genes are detected and measured using techniques well known to one of ordinary skill in the art. For

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example, sequences within the sequence database entries corresponding to PNC sequences, are used to construct probes for detecting PNC RNA sequences in, *e.g.*, northern blot hybridization analysis. Probes include at least 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 nucleotides of a reference sequence. As another example, the sequences can be used to construct primers for specifically amplifying the PNC nucleic acid in, *e.g.*, amplification-based detection methods such as reverse-transcription based polymerase chain reaction.

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Expression level of one or more of the PNC-associated genes in the test cell population, *e.g.*, a patient derived tissues sample, is then compared to expression levels of the some genes in a reference population. The reference cell population includes one or more cells for which the compared parameter is known, *i.e.*, pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma cells or normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells.

Whether or not a pattern of gene expression levels in the test cell population compared to the reference cell population indicates PNC or predisposition thereto depends upon the composition of the reference cell population. For example, if the reference cell population is composed of non-PNC cells, a similar gene expression pattern in the test cell population and reference cell population indicates the test cell population is non-PNC. Conversely, if the reference cell population is made up of PNC cells, a similar gene expression profile between the test cell population and the reference cell population indicates that the test cell population includes PNC cells.

A level of expression of a PNC marker gene in a test cell population is considered altered in levels of expression if its expression level varies from the reference cell population by more than 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 5.0, 10.0 or more fold from the expression level of the corresponding PNC marker gene in the reference cell population.

Differential gene expression between a test cell population and a reference cell population is normalized to a control nucleic acid, *e.g.* a housekeeping gene. For example, a control nucleic acid is one which is known not to differ depending on the cancerous or non-cancerous state of the cell. Expression levels of the control nucleic acid in the test and reference nucleic acid can be used to normalize signal levels in the compared populations. Control genes include, *e.g.*, β-actin, glyceraldehyde 3- phosphate dehydrogenase or ribosomal protein P1.

The test cell population is compared to multiple reference cell populations. Each of the multiple reference populations may differ in the known parameter. Thus, a test cell

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population may be compared to a second reference cell population known to contain, *e.g.*, PNC cells, as well as a second reference population known to contain, *e.g.*, non-PNC cells (normal cells). The test cell is included in a tissue type or cell sample from a subject known to contain, or to be suspected of containing, PNC cells.

The test cell is obtained from a bodily tissue or a bodily fluid, e.g., biological fluid (such as blood or sputum). For example, the test cell is purified from pancreas tissue. Preferably, the test cell population comprises an epithelial cell. The epithelial cell is from tissue known to be or suspected to be a pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma.

Cells in the reference cell population are derived from a tissue type as similar to test cell. Optionally, the reference cell population is a cell line, e.g. a PNC cell line (positive control) or a normal non-PNC cell line (negative control). Alternatively, the control cell population is derived from a database of molecular information derived from cells for which the assayed parameter or condition is known.

The subject is preferably a mammal. The mammal can be, e.g., a human, non-human primate, mouse, rat, dog, cat, horse, or cow.

Expression of the genes disclosed herein is determined at the protein or nucleic acid level using methods known in the art. For example, Northern hybridization analysis using probes which specifically recognize one or more of these nucleic acid sequences can be used to determine gene expression. Alternatively, expression is measured using reverse-transcription-based PCR assays, *e.g.*, using primers specific for the differentially expressed gene sequences. Expression is also determined at the protein level, *i.e.*, by measuring the levels of polypeptides encoded by the gene products described herein, or biological activity thereof. Such methods are well known in the art and include, e.g., immunoassays based on antibodies to proteins encoded by the genes. The biological activity of the proteins encoded by the genes are also well known.

# Diagnosing pancreatic cancer

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PNC is diagnosed by measuring the level of expression of one or more PNC nucleic acid sequences from a test population of cells, (*i.e.*, a patient derived biological sample). Preferably, the test cell population contains an epithelial cell, e.g., a cell obtained from pancreas tissue. Gene expression is also measured from blood or other bodily fluids such as urine. Other biological samples can be used for measuring the protein level. For example,

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the protein level in the blood, serum, or pancreatic juice derived from subject to be diagnosed can be measured by immunoassay or biological assay.

Expression of one or more PNC-associated genes, *e.g.*, PNC 1-605 is determined in the test cell or biological sample and compared to the expression of the normal control level. A normal control level is an expression profile of a PNC-associated gene typically found in a population known not to be suffering from PNC. An increase or a decrease of the level of expression in the patient derived tissue sample of the PNC-associated genes indicates that the subject is suffering from or is at risk of developing PNC. For example, an increase in expression of PNC 1-259 in the test population compared to the normal control level indicates that the subject is suffering from or is at risk of developing PNC. Conversely, a decrease in expression of PNC 260-605 in the test population compared to the normal control level indicates that the subject is suffering from or is at risk of developing PNC.

When one or more of the PNC-associated genes are altered in the test population compared to the normal control level indicates that the subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC. For example, at least 1%, 5%, 25%, 50%, 60%, 80%, 90% or more of the panel of PNC-associated genes (PNC 1-259, PNC 260-605, or PNC 1-605) are altered.

# Predicting prognosis of PNC

The present invention provides a method for predicting prognosis of PNC in a subject, the method comprising the steps of:

- (a) detecting an expression level of one or more marker genes in a specimen collected from a subject to be predicted, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-866, 894-906; and
- (b) comparing the expression level of the one or more marker genes to that of a early recurrence cases and late recurrence cases; and
- (c) when the expression level of one or marker genes is close to that of the early recurrence case, determining the subject to be at a risk of having recurrence of PNC and when the expression level of one or marker genes is close to that of the late recurrence case, determining the risk of the subject of having recurrence of PNC to be low.

In the present invention, marker gene(s) for prediction of prognosis of PNC may be at least one gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-933; 84 genes shown in Table8. The nucleotide sequences of the genes and amino acid sequences encoded thereby are known

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in the art. See Table 8 for the Accession Numbers of the genes.

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According to the present invention, prediction of prognosis comprises prediction of probability for recurrence of PNC. When recurrence of PNC is observed within 12 month after surgery, the subject is determined to have poor prognosis. In one embodiment, the expression levels of multiple marker genes selected from the group of PNC 850-866, 894-906 can be measured for the prediction. Preferably, the 30 genes consisting of top 17 genes (ARGBP2, CBARA1, EEF1G, LCAT, RPL23A, RPL17, ATP1A1, QARS, BZRP, TUFM, SERPINA4, SCAP, HK1, RPS11, SYNGR2, FLOT2, PSMB4) of up-regulated in late recurrence cases genes and top 13 genes of up-regulated in early recurrence cases genes (MTMR1, HT010, NPD002, YME1L1, CCT6A, HSPD1, TIMM9, GRB14, FLJ10803, LAMP1, MLLT4, CTSB, RALY) of Table 8 are useful for the prediction. In the present method, the specimen is collected from a subject. Preferable specimen include pancreatic tissue derived from patient of pancreatic cancer. Methods for measuring the expression level of marker genes are well-known in the art. For example, DNA array is useful for measuring the expression level of multiple marker genes. According to the present invention, first, the expression level of each marker genes in a specimen is measured and then compared to that of early recurrence cases and late recurrence cases. The expression level of the marker genes of each of the cases can be measured prior to the comparison of the expression level. Then, based on the above comparison, when the expression level of one or marker genes is close to that of the early recurrence case, determining the subject to be at a risk of having recurrence of PNC and when the expression level of one or marker genes is close to that of the late recurrence case, determining the risk of the subject of having recurrence of PNC to be low. In the present invention, the recurrence of PNC can be predicted using prediction score that may be calculated by statistical methods. Methods for calculating prediction score is wellknown in the art (T.R. Golub et al., Science 286, 531-7, 1999; T.J. MacDonald et al., Nat. Genet, 29, 143-52, 2001). Furthermore, prediction of recurrence using prediction score in the present invention may be also performed according to the method disclosed in the Example.

Identifying Agents that inhibit or enhance PNC-associated gene expression

An agent that inhibits the expression or activity of a PNC-associated gene is identified by contacting a test cell population expressing a PNC-associated up-regulated gene with a test agent and determining the expression level of the PNC-associated gene. A decrease in expression in the presence of the agent compared to the normal control level (or compared to

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the level in the absence of the test agent) indicates the agent is an inhibitor of a PNC-associated up-regulated gene and useful to inhibit PNC.

Alternatively, an agent that enhances the expression or activity of a PNC-associated down-regulated gene is identified by contacting a test cell population expressing a PNC-associated gene with a test agent and determining the expression level or activity of the PNC-associated down-regulated gene. An increase of expression or activity compared to a normal control expression level or activity of the PNC-associated gene indicates that the test agent augments expression or activity of the PNC-associated down-regulated gene.

The test cell population is any cell expressing the PNC-associated genes. For example, the test cell population contains an epithelial cell, such as a cell is or derived from pancreas tissue. For example, the test cell is an immortalized cell line derived from an adenocarcinoma cell. Alternatively, the test cell is a cell, which has been transfected with a PNC-associated gene or which has been transfected with a regulatory sequence (e.g. promoter sequence) from a PNC-associated gene operably linked to a reporter gene.

Assessing efficacy of treatment of PNC in a subject

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The differentially expressed PNC-associated gene identified herein also allow for the course of treatment of PNC to be monitored. In this method, a test cell population is provided from a subject undergoing treatment for PNC. If desired, test cell populations are obtained from the subject at various time points before, during, or after treatment. Expression of one or more of the PNC-associated gene, in the cell population is then determined and compared to a reference cell population which includes cells whose PNC state is known. The reference cells have not been exposed to the treatment.

If the reference cell population contains no PNC cells, a similarity in expression between PNC-associated gene in the test cell population and the reference cell population indicates that the treatment is efficacious. However, a difference in expression between PNC-associated gene in the test population and a normal control reference cell population indicates a less favorable clinical outcome or prognosis.

By "efficacious" is meant that the treatment leads to a reduction in expression of a pathologically up-regulated gene, increase in expression of a pathologically down-regulated gene or a decrease in size, prevalence, or metastatic potential of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma in a subject. When treatment is applied prophylactically, "efficacious" means that the treatment retards or prevents a pancreatic tumor from forming or retards,

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prevents, or alleviates a symptom of clinical PNC. Assessment of pancreatic tumors is made using standard clinical protocols.

Efficaciousness is determined in association with any known method for diagnosing or treating PNC. PNC is diagnosed for example, by identifying symptomatic anomalies, *e.g.*, weight loss, abdominal pain, back pain, anorexia, nausea, vomiting and generalized malaise, weakness, and jaundice.

Selecting a therapeutic agent for treating PNC that is appropriate for a particular individual

Differences in the genetic makeup of individuals can result in differences in their relative abilities to metabolize various drugs. An agent that is metabolized in a subject to act as an anti-PNC agent can manifest itself by inducing a change in gene expression pattern in the subject's cells from that characteristic of a cancerous state to a gene expression pattern characteristic of a non-cancerous state. Accordingly, the differentially expressed PNC-associated gene disclosed herein allow for a putative therapeutic or prophylactic inhibitor of PNC to be tested in a test cell population from a selected subject in order to determine if the agent is a suitable inhibitor of PNC in the subject.

To identify an inhibitor of PNC, that is appropriate for a specific subject, a test cell population from the subject is exposed to a therapeutic agent, and the expression of one or more of PNC 1-605 genes is determined.

The test cell population contains a PNC cell expressing a PNC-associated gene. Preferably, the test cell is an epithelial cell. For example a test cell population is incubated in the presence of a candidate agent and the pattern of gene expression of the test sample is measured and compared to one or more reference profiles, *e.g.*, a PNC reference expression profile or a non-PNC reference expression profile.

A decrease in expression of one or more of PNC 1-259 or an increase in expression of one or more of PNC 260-605 in a test cell population relative to a reference cell population containing PNC is indicative that the agent is therapeutic.

The test agent can be any compound or composition. For example, the test agents are immunomodulatory agents.

Screening assays for identifying therapeutic agents

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The differentially expressed genes disclosed herein can also be used to identify candidate therapeutic agents for treating PNC. The method is based on screening a candidate

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therapeutic agent to determine if it converts an expression profile of PNC 1-605 characteristic of a PNC state to a pattern indicative of a non-PNC state.

In the method, a cell is exposed to a test agent or a combination of test agents (sequentially or consequentially) and the expression of one or more PNC 1-605 in the cell is measured. The expression profile of the PNC-associated gene in the test population is compared to expression level of the PNC-associated gene in a reference cell population that is not exposed to the test agent.

An agent effective in stimulating expression of under-expressed genes, or in suppressing expression of over-expressed genes is deemed to lead to a clinical benefit such compounds are further tested for the ability to prevent pancreatic ductal adenocarcinomal growth in animals or test subjects.

In a further embodiment, the present invention provides methods for screening candidate agents which are potential targets in the treatment of PNC. As discussed in detail above, by controlling the expression levels or activities of marker genes, one can control the onset and progression of PNC. Thus, candidate agents, which are potential targets in the treatment of PNC, can be identified through screenings that use the expression levels and activities of marker genes as indices. In the context of the present invention, such screening may comprise, for example, the following steps:

- a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by PNC 1-605;
- b) detecting the binding activity between the polypeptide and the test compound; and
- c) selecting a compound that binds to the polypeptide.

Alternatively, the screening method of the present invention may comprise the following steps:

- a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell expressing one or more marker genes,
   wherein the one or more marker genes is selected from the group consisting of PNC
   1-605; and
- b) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of one or more marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259, or elevates the expression level of one or more marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605.
- Cells expressing a marker gene include, for example, cell lines established from PNC; such cells can be used for the above screening of the present invention.

Alternatively, the screening method of the present invention may comprise the

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a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605;

- b) detecting the biological activity of the polypeptide of step (a); and
- c) selecting a compound that suppresses the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by PNC 1-259 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound, or enhances the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by PNC 260-605 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound.
- A protein required for the screening can be obtained as a recombinant protein using the nucleotide sequence of the marker gene. Based on the information of the marker gene, one skilled in the art can select any biological activity of the protein as an index for screening and a measurement method based on the selected biological activity.

Alternatively, the screening method of the present invention may comprise the following steps:

- a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell into which a vector comprising the transcriptional regulatory region of one or more marker genes and a reporter gene that is expressed under the control of the transcriptional regulatory region has been introduced, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605
- b) measuring the activity of said reporter gene; and
- c) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is an up-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or that enhances the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is a down-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605, as compared to a control.

Suitable reporter genes and host cells are well known in the art. The reporter construct required for the screening can be prepared by using the transcriptional regulatory region of a marker gene. When the transcriptional regulatory region of a marker gene has been known to those skilled in the art, a reporter construct can be prepared by using the previous sequence information. When the transcriptional regulatory region of a marker gene remains unidentified, a nucleotide segment containing the transcriptional regulatory region can be

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isolated from a genome library based on the nucleotide sequence information of the marker gene.

The compound isolated by the screening is a candidate for drugs that inhibit the activity of the protein encoded by marker genes and can be applied to the treatment or prevention of pancreatic cancer.

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Moreover, compound in which a part of the structure of the compound inhibiting the activity of proteins encoded by marker genes is converted by addition, deletion and/or replacement are also included in the compounds obtainable by the screening method of the present invention.

When administrating the compound isolated by the method of the invention as a pharmaceutical for humans and other mammals, such as mice, rats, guinea-pigs, rabbits, cats, dogs, sheep, pigs, cattle, monkeys, baboons, and chimpanzees, the isolated compound can be directly administered or can be formulated into a dosage form using known pharmaceutical preparation methods. For example, according to the need, the drugs can be taken orally, as sugar-coated tablets, capsules, elixirs and microcapsules, or non-orally, in the form of injections of sterile solutions or suspensions with water or any other pharmaceutically acceptable liquid. For example, the compounds can be mixed with pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or media, specifically, sterilized water, physiological saline, plant-oils, emulsifiers, suspending agents, surfactants, stabilizers, flavoring agents, excipients, vehicles, preservatives, binders, and such, in a unit dose form required for generally accepted drug implementation. The amount of active ingredients in these preparations makes a suitable dosage within the indicated range acquirable.

Examples of additives that can be mixed to tablets and capsules are, binders such as gelatin, corn starch, tragacanth gum and arabic gum; excipients such as crystalline cellulose; swelling agents such as corn starch, gelatin and alginic acid; lubricants such as magnesium stearate; sweeteners such as sucrose, lactose or saccharin; and flavoring agents such as peppermint, Gaultheria adenothrix oil and cherry. When the unit-dose form is a capsule, a liquid carrier, such as an oil, can also be further included in the above ingredients. Sterile composites for injections can be formulated following normal drug implementations using vehicles such as distilled water used for injections.

Physiological saline, glucose, and other isotonic liquids including adjuvants, such as D-sorbitol, D-mannnose, D-mannitol, and sodium chloride, can be used as aqueous solutions

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for injections. These can be used in conjunction with suitable solubilizers, such as alcohol, specifically ethanol, polyalcohols such as propylene glycol and polyethylene glycol, non-ionic surfactants, such as Polysorbate 80 (TM) and HCO-50.

Sesame oil or Soy-bean oil can be used as a oleaginous liquid and may be used in conjunction with benzyl benzoate or benzyl alcohol as a solubilizer and may be formulated with a buffer, such as phosphate buffer and sodium acetate buffer; a pain-killer, such as procaine hydrochloride; a stabilizer, such as benzyl alcohol andphenol; and an anti-oxidant. The prepared injection may be filled into a suitable ampule.

Methods well known to one skilled in the art may be used to administer the pharmaceutical composition of the present inevntion to patients, for example as intraarterial, intravenous, or percutaneous injections and also as intranasal, transbronchial, intramuscular or oral administrations. The dosage and method of administration vary according to the body-weight and age of a patient and the administration method; however, one skilled in the art can routinely select a suitable metod of administration. If said compound is encodable by a DNA, the DNA can be inserted into a vector for gene therapy and the vector administered to a patient to perform the therapy. The dosage and method of administration vary according to the body-weight, age, and symptoms of the patient but one skilled in the art can suitably select them.

For example, although the dose of a compound that binds to the protein of the present invention and regulates its activity depends on the symptoms, the dose is about 0.1 mg to about 100 mg per day, preferably about 1.0 mg to about 50 mg per day and more preferably about 1.0 mg to about 20 mg per day, when administered orally to a normal adult (weight 60 kg).

When administering parenterally, in the form of an injection to a normal adult (weight 60 kg), although there are some differences according to the patient, target organ, symptoms and method of administration, it is convenient to intravenously inject a dose of about 0.01 mg to about 30 mg per day, preferably about 0.1 to about 20 mg per day and more preferably about 0.1 to about 10 mg per day. Also, in the case of other animals too, it is possible to administer an amount converted to 60 kgs of body-weight.

Screening assays for identifying therapeutic agents for malignant pancreatic cancer

The present invention provides target molecules for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer. In the present invention, malignant cancer includes cancers having

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properties such as follows:

- local invasion;
- aggressive proliferation; and
- metastasis.

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Therefore, according to the present invention, malignant pancreatic cancer includes pancreatic cancer with metastasis. Screening assay for malignant PNC of the present invention can be performed according to the mehtod for PNC described above using marker genes for malignant pancreatic cancer.

In the present invention, marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-681, and 682-849 are useful for the screening. 76 genes shown in Table 6 (PNC 606-681) were associated with lymph node metastasis. Among the genes, 35 genes (PNC 606-640) were relatively up-regulated and 41 genes (PNC 641-681) were down-regulated in node-positive tumors (Figure 3). In addition, 168 genes (PNC 682-849) showed unique altered expression patterns in pancreatic cells with liver metastasis (Table 7) wherein 60 of the genes(PNC 682-741) were relatively up-regulated (Figure 4). An agent suppressing the activity or expression of these up-regulated genes obtained by the present invention are useful for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer with lymph-node metastasis or liver metastasis. Alternatively, an agent enhancing the activity or expression of the down-regulated genes obtained by the present invention are also useful for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer.

Furthermore, the present invention provides target molecules for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer. Herein, recurrence of pancreatic cancer indicates recurrence of cancer in pancreas after surgery. For example, the recurrence of cancer within 12 month after surgery can be predicted by the invention. According to the present invention, early recurrence includes the recurrence within 12 month after surgery, and when no recurrence can be observed within 12 month after surgery in a case, the case is considered to be a pancreatic cancer with "late recurrence". 84 genes (PNC 850-933) shown in Table 8 are useful as the marker genes for the screening of the present invention. Among them, the genes shown in Figure 5A-1 are up-regulated in early recurrence cases(PNC 894-933), and the genes shown in Figure 5A-2 are up-regulated in late recurrence cases(PNC 850-893). Therefore, an agent suppressing the up-regulated genes in early recurrence cases is useful for treating or

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preventing recurrence. Alternatively, an agent enhancing the up-regulated genes in late recurrence cases is also useful for treating or preventing recurrence.

Assessing the prognosis of a subject with pancreatic cancer

Also provided is a method of assessing the prognosis of a subject with PNC by comparing the expression of one or more PNC-associated gene in a test cell population to the expression of the genes in a reference cell population derived from patients over a spectrum of disease stages. By comparing gene expression of one or more PNC-associated gene in the test cell population and the reference cell population(s), or by comparing the pattern of gene expression over time in test cell populations derived from the subject, the prognosis of the subject can be assessed.

A decrease in expression of one or more of PNC 260-605 compared to a normal control or an increase of expression of one or more of PNC 1-259 compared to a normal control indicates less favorable prognosis. A similar expression of one or more of PNC 1-605 indicates a more favorable prognosis compared to nomal control indicates a more favorable prognosis for the subject. Preferably, the prognosis of a subject can be assessed by comparing the expression profile of PNC 1-605. The classification score (CS) may be use for the comparing the expression profile.

Kits

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The invention also includes a PNC-detection reagent, e.g., a nucleic acid that specifically binds to or identifies one or more PNC nucleic acids such as oligonucleotide sequences, which are complementary to a portion of a PNC nucleic acid or antibodies which bind to proteins encoded by a PNC nucleic acid. The reagents are packaged together in the form of a kit. The reagents are packaged in separate containers, e.g., a nucleic acid or antibody (either bound to a solid matrix or packaged separately with reagents for binding them to the matrix), a control reagent (positive and/or negative), and/or a detectable label. Instructions (e.g., written, tape, VCR, CD-ROM, etc.) for carrying out the assay are included in the kit. The assay format of the kit is a Northern hybridization or a sandwich ELISA known in the art.

For example, PNC detection reagent is immobilized on a solid matrix such as a porous strip to form at least one PNC detection site. The measurement or detection region of the porous strip may include a plurality of sites containing a nucleic acid. A test strip may also

contain sites for negative and/or positive controls. Alternatively, control sites are located on a separate strip from the test strip. Optionally, the different detection sites may contain different amounts of immobilized nucleic acids, *i.e.*, a higher amount in the first detection site and lesser amounts in subsequent sites. Upon the addition of test sample, the number of sites displaying a detectable signal provides a quantitative indication of the amount of PNC present in the sample. The detection sites may be configured in any suitably detectable shape and are typically in the shape of a bar or dot spanning the width of a teststrip.

Alternatively, the kit contains a nucleic acid substrate array comprising one or more nucleic acids. The nucleic acids on the array specifically identify one or more nucleic acid sequences represented by PNC 1-605. The expression of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 or 50 or more of the nucleic acids represented by PNC 1-605 are identified by virtue of the level of binding to an array test strip or chip. The substrate array can be on, *e.g.*, a solid substrate, *e.g.*, a "chip" as described in U.S. Patent No.5,744,305.

# Arrays and pluralities

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The invention also includes a nucleic acid substrate array comprising one or more nucleic acids. The nucleic acids on the array specifically correspond to one or more nucleic acid sequences represented by PNC 1-605. The level of expression of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 or 50 or more of the nucleic acids represented by PNC 1-605 are identified by detecting nucleic acid binding to the array.

The invention also includes an isolated plurality (*i.e.*, a mixture if two or more nucleic acids) of nucleic acids. The nucleic acids are in a liquid phase or a solid phase, *e.g.*, immobilized on a solid support such as a nitrocellulose membrane. The plurality includes one or more of the nucleic acids represented by PNC 1-605. In various embodiments, the plurality includes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 or 50 or more of the nucleic acids represented by PNC 1-605.

### Methods of inhibiting pancreatic cancer

The invention provides a method for treating or alleviating a symptom of PNC in a subject by decreasing expression or activity of PNC 1-259 or increasing expression or activity of PNC 260-605. Therapeutic compounds are administered prophylactically or therapeutically to subject suffering from or at risk of (or susceptible to) developing PNC. Such subjects are identified using standard clinical methods or by detecting an aberrant level

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of expression or activity of PNC 1-605. Therapeutic agents include inhibitors of cell cycle regulation, cell proliferation, and protein kinase activity.

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The therapeutic method includes increasing the expression, or function, or both of one or more gene products of genes whose expression is decreased ("under-expressed genes") in a PNC cell relative to normal cells of the same tissue type from which the PNC cells are derived. In these methods, the subject is treated with an effective amount of a compound, which increases the amount of one or more of the under-expressed genes in the subject. Administration can be systemic or local. Therapeutic compounds include a polypeptide product of an under-expressed gene, or a biologically active fragment thereof a nucleic acid encoding an under-expressed gene and having expression control elements permitting expression in the PNC cells; for example an agent which increases the level of expression of such gene endogenous to the PNC cells (i.e., which up-regulates expression of the under-expressed gene or genes). Administration of such compounds counters the effects of aberrantly-under expressed of the gene or genes in the subject's pancreas cells and improves the clinical condition of the subject.

The method also includes decreasing the expression, or function, or both, of one or more gene products of genes whose expression is aberrantly increased ("over-expressed gene") in pancreas cells. Expression is inhibited in any of several ways known in the art. For example, expression is inhibited by administering to the subject a nucleic acid that inhibits, or antagonizes, the expression of the over-expressed gene or genes, e.g., an antisense oligonucleotide or small interfering RNA which disrupts expression of the over-expressed gene or genes.

As noted above, antisense nucleic acids corresponding to the nucleotide sequence of PNC 1-259 can be used to reduce the expression level of the PNC 1-259. Antisense nucleic acids corresponding to PNC 1-259 that are up-regulated in pancreatic cancer are useful for the treatment of pancreatic cancer. Specifically, the antisense nucleic acids of the present invention may act by binding to the PNC 1-259 or mRNAs corresponding thereto, thereby inhibiting the transcription or translation of the genes, promoting the degradation of the mRNAs, and/or inhibiting the expression of proteins encoded by the PNC 1-259, finally inhibiting the function of the proteins. The term "antisense nucleic acids" as used herein encompasses both nucleotides that are entirely complementary to the target sequence and those having a mismatch of one or more nucleotides, so long as the antisense nucleic acids

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can specifically hybridize to the target sequences. For example, the antisense nucleic acids of the present invention include polynucleotides that have a homology of at least 70% or higher, preferably at 80% or higher, more preferably 90% or higher, even more preferably 95% or higher over a span of at least 15 continuous nucleotides. Algorithms known in the art can be used to determine the homology.

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The antisense nucleic acid derivatives of the present invention act on cells producing the proteins encoded by marker genes by binding to the DNAs or mRNAs encoding the proteins, inhibiting their transcription or translation, promoting the degradation of the mRNAs, and inhibiting the expression of the proteins, thereby resulting in the inhibition of the protein function.

An antisense nucleic acid derivative of the present invention can be made into an external preparation, such as a liniment or a poultice, by mixing with a suitable base material which is inactive against the derivative.

Also, as needed, the derivatives can be formulated into tablets, powders, granules, capsules, liposome capsules, injections, solutions, nose-drops and freeze-drying agents by adding excipients, isotonic agents, solubilizers, stabilizers, preservatives, pain-killers, and such. These can be prepared by following known methods.

The antisense nucleic acids derivative is given to the patient by directly applying onto the ailing site or by injecting into a blood vessel so that it will reach the site of ailment. An antisense-mounting medium can also be used to increase durability and membrane-permeability. Examples are, liposomes, poly-L-lysine, lipids, cholesterol, lipofectin or derivatives of these.

The dosage of the antisense nucleic acid derivative of the present invention can be adjusted suitably according to the patient's condition and used in desired amounts. For example, a dose range of 0.1 to 100 mg/kg, preferably 0.1 to 50 mg/kg can be administered.

The antisense nucleic acids of the invention inhibit the expression of the protein of the invention and is thereby useful for suppressing the biological activity of a protein of the invention. Also, expression-inhibitors, comprising the antisense nucleic acids of the invention, are useful since they can inhibit the biological activity of a protein of the invention.

The antisense nucleic acids of present invention include modified oligonucleotides. For example, thioated nucleotides may be used to confer nuclease resistance to an oligonucleotide.

Also, a siRNA against marker gene can be used to reduce the expression level of the marker gene. By the term "siRNA" is meant a double stranded RNA molecule which prevents translation of a target mRNA. Standard techniques of introducing siRNA into the cell are used, including those in which DNA is a template from which RNA is transcribed. In the context of the present invention, the siRNA comprises a sense nucleic acid sequence and an anti-sense nucleic acid sequence against an up-regulated marker gene, such as PNC 1-259. The siRNA is constructed such that a single transcript has both the sense and complementary antisense sequences from the target gene, e.g., a hairpin.

The method is used to alter the expression in a cell of an up-regulated, e.g., as a result of malignant transformation of the cells. Binding of the siRNA to a transcript corresponding to one of the PNC 1-259 in the target cell results in a reduction in the protein production by the cell. The length of the oligonucleotide is at least 10 nucleotides and may be as long as the naturally-occurring transcript. Preferably, the oligonucleotide is 19-25 nucleotides in length. Most preferably, the oligonucleotide is less than 75, 50, 25 nucleotides in length.

The nucleotide sequence of the siRNAs were designed using an siRNA design computer program available from the Ambion website (http://www.ambion.com/techlib/misc/siRNA\_finder.html). The computer program selects nucleotide sequences for siRNA synthesis based on the following protocol.

Selection of siRNA Target Sites:

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- Beginning with the AUG start codon of the object transcript, scan downstream for AA dinucleotide sequences. Record the occurrence of each AA and the 3' adjacent 19 nucleotides as potential siRNA target sites. Tuschl, et al. recommend against designing siRNA to the 5' and 3' untranslated regions (UTRs) and regions near the start codon (within 75 bases) as these may be richer in regulatory protein binding sites. UTR-binding proteins and/or translation initiation complexes may interfere with binding of the siRNA endonuclease complex.
  - Compare the potential target sites to the human genome database and eliminate from consideration any target sequences with significant homology to other coding sequences.
     The homology search can be performed using BLAST, which can be found on the NCBI server at: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST/
  - 3. Select qualifying target sequences for synthesis. At Ambion, preferably several target sequences can be selected along the length of the gene to evaluate.

The antisense oligonucleotide or siRNA of the invention inhibit the expression of the polypeptide of the invention and is thereby useful for suppressing the biological activity of the polypeptide of the invention. Also, expression-inhibitors, comprising the antisense oligonucleotide or siRNA of the invention, are useful in the point that they can inhibit the biological activity of the polypeptide of the invention. Therefore, a composition comprising the antisense oligonucleotide or siRNA of the present invention is useful in treating a pancreatic cancer.

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Alternatively, function of one or more gene products of the over-expressed genes is inhibited by administering a compound that binds to or otherwise inhibits the function of the gene products. For example, the compound is an antibody which binds to the over-expressed gene product or gene products.

The present invention refers to the use of antibodies, particularly antibodies against a protein encoded by an up-regulated marker gene, or a fragment of the antibody. As used herein, the term "antibody" refers to an immunoglobulin molecule having a specific structure, that interacts (i.e., binds) only with the antigen that was used for synthesizing the antibody (i.e., the up-regulated marker gene product) or with an antigen closely related to it. Furthermore, an antibody may be a fragment of an antibody or a modified antibody, so long as it binds to one or more of the proteins encoded by the marker genes. For instance, the antibody fragment may be Fab, F(ab')2, Fv, or single chain Fv (scFv), in which Fv fragments from H and L chains are ligated by an appropriate linker (Huston J. S. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 85:5879-5883 (1988)). More specifically, an antibody fragment may be generated by treating an antibody with an enzyme, such as papain or pepsin. Alternatively, a gene encoding the antibody fragment may be constructed, inserted into an expression vector, and expressed in an appropriate host cell (see, for example, Co M. S. et al. J. Immunol. 152:2968-2976 (1994); Better M. and Horwitz A. H. Methods Enzymol. 178:476-496 (1989); Pluckthun A. and Skerra A. Methods Enzymol. 178:497-515 (1989); Lamoyi E. Methods Enzymol. 121:652-663 (1986); Rousseaux J. et al. Methods Enzymol. 121:663-669 (1986); Bird R. E. and Walker B. W. Trends Biotechnol. 9:132-137 (1991)).

An antibody may be modified by conjugation with a variety of molecules, such as polyethylene glycol (PEG). The present invention provides such modified antibodies. The modified antibody can be obtained by chemically modifying an antibody. These modification methods are conventional in the field.

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Alternatively, an antibody may be obtained as a chimeric antibody, between a variable region derived from a nonhuman antibody and a constant region derived from a human antibody, or as a humanized antibody, comprising the complementarity determining region (CDR) derived from a nonhuman antibody, the frame work region (FR) derived from a human antibody, and the constant region. Such antibodies can be prepared by using known technologies.

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Cancer therapies directed at specific molecular alterations that occur in cancer cells have been validated through clinical development and regulatory approval of anti-cancer drugs such as trastuzumab (Herceptin) for the treatment of advanced breast cancer, imatinib methylate (Gleevec) for chronic myeloid leukemia, gefitinib (Iressa) for non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), and rituximab (anti-CD20 mAb) for B-cell lymphoma and mantle cell lymphoma (Ciardiello F, Tortora G. A novel approach in the treatment of cancer: targeting the epidermal growth factor receptor. Clin Cancer Res. 2001 Oct;7(10):2958-70. Review.; Slamon DJ, Leyland-Jones B, Shak S, Fuchs H, Paton V, Bajamonde A, Fleming T, Eiermann W, Wolter J, Pegram M, Baselga J, Norton L. Use of chemotherapy plus a monoclonal antibody against HER2 for metastatic breast cancer that overexpresses HER2. N Engl J Med. 2001 Mar 15:344(11):783-92.; Rehwald U, Schulz H, Reiser M, Sieber M, Staak JO, Morschhauser F, Driessen C, Rudiger T, Muller-Hermelink K, Diehl V, Engert A. Treatment of relapsed CD20+ Hodgkin lymphoma with the monoclonal antibody rituximab is effective and well tolerated: results of a phase 2 trial of the German Hodgkin Lymphoma Study Group. Blood. 2003 Jan 15;101(2):420-424.; Fang G, Kim CN, Perkins CL, Ramadevi N, Winton E, Wittmann S and Bhalla KN. (2000). Blood, 96, 2246-2253.). These drugs are clinically effective and better tolerated than traditional anti-cancer agents because they target only transformed cells. Hence, such drugs not only improve survival and quality of life for cancer patients, but also validate the concept of molecularly targeted cancer therapy. Furthermore, targeted drugs can enhance the efficacy of standard chemotherapy when used in combination with it (Gianni L. (2002). Oncology, 63 Suppl 1, 47-56.; Klejman A, Rushen L, Morrione A, Slupianek A and Skorski T. (2002). Oncogene, 21, 5868-5876.). Therefore, future cancer treatments will probably involve combining conventional drugs with target-specific agents aimed at different characteristics of tumor cells such as angiogenesis and invasiveness.

These modulatory methods are performed ex vivo or in vitro (e.g., by culturing the cell with the agent) or, alternatively, in vivo (e.g., by administering the agent to a subject).

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The method involves administering a protein or combination of proteins or a nucleic acid molecule or combination of nucleic acid, molecules as therapy to counteract aberrant expression or activity of the differentially expressed genes.

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Diseases and disorders that are characterized by increased (relative to a subject not suffering from the disease or disorder) levels or biological activity of the genes may be treated with therapeutics that antagonize (i.e., reduce or inhibit) activity of the over-expressed gene or genes. Therapeutics that antagonized activity are administered therapeutically or prophylactically.

Therapeutics that may be utilized include, e.g., (i) a polypeptide, or analogs, derivatives, fragments or homologs thereof of the over-expressed or under-expressed gene or genes; (ii) antibodies to the over-expressed or under-expressed gene or genes; (iii) nucleic acids encoding the over-expressed or under-expressed gene or genes; (iv) antisense nucleic acids or nucleic acids that are "dysfunctional" (i.e., due to a heterologous insertion within the nucleic acids of one or more over-expressed or under-expressed gene or genes); (v) small interfering RNA (siRNA); or (vi) modulators (i.e., inhibitors, agonists and antagonists that alter the interaction between an over/under-expressed polypeptide and its binding partner). The dysfunctional antisense molecules are utilized to "knockout" endogenous function of a polypeptide by homologous recombination (see, e.g., Capecchi, Science 244: 1288-1292 1989). 259

Diseases and disorders that are characterized by decreased (relative to a subject not suffering from the disease or disorder) levels or biological activity may be treated with therapeutics that increase (i.e., are agonists to) activity. Therapeutics that up-regulate activity may be administered in a therapeutic or prophylactic manner. Therapeutics that may be utilized include, but are not limited to, a polypeptide (or analogs, derivatives, fragments or homologs thereof) or an agonist that increases bioavailability.

Increased or decreased levels can be readily detected by quantifying peptide and/or RNA, by obtaining a patient tissue sample (e.g., from biopsy tissue) and assaying it in vitro for RNA or peptide levels, structure and/or activity of the expressed peptides (or mRNAs of a gene whose expression is altered). Methods that are well-known within the art include, but are not limited to, immunoassays (e.g., by Western blot analysis, immunoprecipitation followed by sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis,

immunocytochemistry, etc.) and/or hybridization assays to detect expression of mRNAs (e.g., Northern assays, dot blots, in situ hybridization, etc.).

Prophylactic administration occurs prior to the manifestation of overt clinical symptoms of disease, such that a disease or disorder is prevented or, alternatively, delayed in its progression.

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Therapeutic methods include contacting a cell with an agent that modulates one or more of the activities of the gene products of the differentially expressed genes. An agent that modulates protein activity includes a nucleic acid or a protein, a naturally-occurring cognate ligand of these proteins, a peptide, a peptidomimetic, or other small molecule. For example, the agent stimulates one or more protein activities of one or more of a differentially underexpressed gene.

The present invention also relates to a method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a vaccine comprising a polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or an immunologically active fragment of said polypeptide, or a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide or the fragment thereof. An administration of the polypeptide induces an antitumor immunity in a subject. To inducing anti-tumor immunity, a polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or an immunologically active fragment of said polypeptide, or a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide is administered. The polypeptide or the immunologically active fragments thereof are useful as vaccines against PNC. In some cases the proteins or fragments thereof may be administered in a form bound to the T cell recepor (TCR) or presented by an antigen presenting cell (APC), such as macrophage, dendritic cell (DC), or B-cells. Due to the strong antigen presenting ability of DC, the use of DC is most preferable among the APCs.

In the present invention, vaccine against PNC refers to a substance that has the function to induce anti-tumor immunity upon inoculation into animals. According to the present invention, polypeptides encoded by PNC 1-259 or fragments thereof were suggested to be HLA-A24 or HLA-A\*0201 restricted epitopes peptides that may induce potent and specific immune response against PNC cells expressing PNC 1-259. Thus, the present invention also encompasses method of inducing anti-tumor immunity using the polypeptides. In general, anti-tumor immunity includes immune responses such as follows:

- induction of cytotoxic lymphocytes against tumors,

- induction of antibodies that recognize tumors, and
- induction of anti-tumor cytokine production.

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Therefore, when a certain protein induces any one of these immune responses upon inoculation into an animal, the protein is decided to have anti-tumor immunity inducing effect. The induction of the anti-tumor immunity by a protein can be detected by observing in vivo or in vitro the response of the immune system in the host against the protein.

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For example, a method for detecting the induction of cytotoxic T lymphocytes is well known. A foreign substance that enters the living body is presented to T cells and B cells by the action of antigen presenting cells (APCs). T cells that respond to the antigen presented by APC in antigen specific manner differentiate into cytotoxic T cells (or cytotoxic T lymphocytes; CTLs) due to stimulation by the antigen, and then proliferate (this is referred to as activation of T cells). Therefore, CTL induction by a certain peptide can be evaluated by presenting the peptide to T cell by APC, and detecting the induction of CTL. Furthermore, APC has the effect of activating CD4+ T cells, CD8+ T cells, macrophages, eosinophils, and NK cells. Since CD4+ T cells and CD8+ T cells are also important in anti-tumor immunity, the anti-tumor immunity inducing action of the peptide can be evaluated using the activation effect of these cells as indicators.

A method for evaluating the inducing action of CTL using dendritic cells (DCs) as APC is well known in the art. DC is a representative APC having the strongest CTL inducing action among APCs. In this method, the test polypeptide is initially contacted with DC, and then this DC is contacted with T cells. Detection of T cells having cytotoxic effects against the cells of interest after the contact with DC shows that the test polypeptide has an activity of inducing the cytotoxic T cells. Activity of CTL against tumors can be detected, for example, using the lysis of <sup>51</sup>Cr-labeled tumor cells as the indicator. Alternatively, the method of evaluating the degree of tumor cell damage using <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine uptake activity or LDH (lactose dehydrogenase)-release as the indicator is also well known.

Apart from DC, peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) may also be used as the APC. The induction of CTL is reported that it can be enhanced by culturing PBMC in the presence of GM-CSF and IL-4. Similarly, CTL has been shown to be induced by culturing PBMC in the presence of keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH) and IL-7.

The test polypeptides confirmed to possess CTL inducing activity by these methods are polypeptides having DC activation effect and subsequent CTL inducing activity.

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Therefore, polypeptides that induce CTL against tumor cells are useful as vaccines against tumors. Furthermore, APC that acquired the ability to induce CTL against tumors by contacting with the polypeptides are useful as vaccines against tumors. Furthermore, CTL that acquired cytotoxicity due to presentation of the polypeptide antigens by APC can be also used as vaccines against tumors. Such therapeutic methods for tumors using anti-tumor immunity due to APC and CTL are referred to as cellular immunotherapy.

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Generally, when using a polypeptide for cellular immunotherapy, efficiency of the CTL-induction is known to increase by combining a plurality of polypeptides having different structures and contacting them with DC. Therefore, when stimulating DC with protein fragments, it is advantageous to use a mixture of multiple types of fragments.

Alternatively, the induction of anti-tumor immunity by a polypeptide can be confirmed by observing the induction of antibody production against tumors. For example, when antibodies against a polypeptide are induced in a laboratory animal immunized with the polypeptide, and when growth of tumor cells is suppressed by those antibodies, the polypeptide can be determined to have an ability to induce anti-tumor immunity.

Anti-tumor immunity is induced by administering the vaccine of this invention, and the induction of anti-tumor immunity enables treatment and prevention of PNC. Therapy against cancer or prevention of the onset of cancer includes any of the steps, such as inhibition of the growth of cancerous cells, involution of cancer, and suppression of occurrence of cancer. Decrease in mortality of individuals having cancer, decrease of tumor markers in the blood, alleviation of detectable symptoms accompanying cancer, and such are also included in the therapy or prevention of cancer. Such therapeutic and preventive effects are preferably statistically significant. For example, in observation, at a significance level of 5% or less, wherein the therapeutic or preventive effect of a vaccine against cell proliferative diseases is compared to a control without vaccine administration. For example, Student's t-test, the Mann-Whitney U-test, or ANOVA may be used for statistical analyses.

The above-mentioned protein having immunological activity or a vector encoding the protein may be combined with an adjuvant. An adjuvant refers to a compound that enhances the immune response against the protein when administered together (or successively) with the protein having immunological activity. Examples of adjuvants include cholera toxin, salmonella toxin, alum, and such, but are not limited thereto. Furthermore, the vaccine of this invention may be combined appropriately with a pharmaceutically acceptable

carrier. Examples of such carriers are sterilized water, physiological saline, phosphate buffer, culture fluid, and such. Furthermore, the vaccine may contain as necessary, stabilizers, suspensions, preservatives, surfactants, and such. The vaccine is administered systemically or locally. Vaccine administration may be performed by single administration, or boosted by multiple administrations.

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When using APC or CTL as the vaccine of this invention, tumors can be treated or prevented, for example, by the ex vivo method. More specifically, PBMCs of the subject receiving treatment or prevention are collected, the cells are contacted with the polypeptide ex vivo, and following the induction of APC or CTL, the cells may be administered to the subject. APC can be also induced by introducing a vector encoding the polypeptide into PBMCs ex vivo. APC or CTL induced in vitro can be cloned prior to administration. By cloning and growing cells having high activity of damaging target cells, cellular immunotherapy can be performed more effectively. Furthermore, APC and CTL isolated in this manner may be used for cellular immunotherapy not only against individuals from whom the cells are derived, but also against similar types of tumors from other individuals.

Furthermore, a pharmaceutical composition for treating or preventing a cell proliferative disease, such as cancer, comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the polypeptide of the present invention is provided. The pharmaceutical composition may be used for raising anti tumor immunity.

Methods for inhibiting development or recurrence of malignant pancreatic cancer

The present invention provides a method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, or recurrence of pancreatic cancer by increasing or decreasing the expression or activity of marker genes. According to the present invention, the marker genes that can be used for the treatment or prevention of malignant pancreatic cancer are PNC 606-681 (Table 6) and PNC 682-849 (Table 7). Alternatively, the marker genes for treating or preventing the recurrence are PNC 850-933 (Table 8). 35 genes of the PNC 606-640 (Figure 3) and 60 genes of PNC 682-741 (Figure 4) are up-regulated in the malignant cancer cells and 40 genes of PNC 894-933 are up-regulated in the early recurrence cases. Antisense-nucleotides and siRNAs against any one of the up-regulated marker genes are useful for suppressing the expression of the up-regulated genes. Alternatively, the activity of a protein encoded by any one of the up-regulated marker genes can be inhibited by administering an antibody that binds to the protein. Furthermore, a vaccine against the protein encoded by any

one of the up-regulated marker genes is useful for inducing anti tumor immunity. Moreover, administeration of the down regulated genes or proteins encoded thereby is also effective for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer or the recurrence.

Pharmaceutical compositions for inhibiting PNC, malignant PNC, or recurrence of PNC.

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Pharmaceutical formulations include those suitable for oral, rectal, nasal, topical (including buccal and sub-lingual), vaginal or parenteral (including intramuscular, subcutaneous and intravenous) administration, or for administration by inhalation or insufflation. Preferably, administration is intravenous. The formulations are optionally packaged in discrete dosage units.

Pharmaceutical formulations suitable for oral administration include capsules, cachets or tablets, each containing a predetermined amount of the active ingredient. Formulations also include powders, granules or solutions, suspensions or emulsions. The active ingredient is optionally administered as a bolus electuary or paste. Tablets and capsules for oral administration may contain conventional excipients such as binding agents, fillers, lubricants, disintegrant or wetting agents. A tablet may be made by compression or molding, optionally with one or more formulational ingredients. Compressed tablets may be prepared by compressing in a suitable machine the active ingredients in a free-flowing form such as a powder or granules, optionally mixed with a binder, lubricant, inert diluent, lubricating, surface active or dispersing agent. Molded tablets may be made by molding in a suitable machine a mixture of the powdered compound moistened with an inert liquid diluent. The tablets may be coated according to methods well known in the art. Oral fluid preparations may be in the form of, for example, aqueous or oily suspensions, solutions, emulsions, syrups or elixirs, or may be presented as a dry product for constitution with water or other suitable vehicle before use. Such liquid preparations may contain conventional additives such as suspending agents, emulsifying agents, non-aqueous vehicles (which may include edible oils), or preservatives. The tablets may optionally be formulated so as to provide slow or controlled release of the active ingredient therein. A package of tablets may contain one tablet to be taken on each of the month.

Formulations for parenteral administration include aqueous and non-aqueous sterile injection solutions which may contain anti-oxidants, buffers, bacteriostats and solutes which render the formulation isotonic with the blood of the intended recipient; and aqueous and non-aqueous sterile suspensions which may include suspending agents and thickening agents. The

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formulations may be presented in unit dose or multi-dose containers, for example sealed ampoules and vials, and may be stored in a freeze-dried (lyophilized) condition requiring only the addition of the sterile liquid carrier, for example, saline, water-for-injection, immediately prior to use. Alternatively, the formulations may be presented for continuous infusion.

5 Extemporaneous injection solutions and suspensions may be prepared from sterile powders, granules and tablets of the kind previously described.

Formulations for rectal administration include suppositories with standard carriers such as cocoa butter or polyethylene glycol. Formulations for topical administration in the mouth, for example buccally or sublingually, include lozenges, which contain the active ingredient in a flavored base such as sucrose and acacia or tragacanth, and pastilles comprising the active ingredient in a base such as gelatin and glycerin or sucrose and acacia. For intra-nasal administration the compounds of the invention may be used as a liquid spray or dispersible powder or in the form of drops. Drops may be formulated with an aqueous or non-aqueous base also comprising one or more dispersing agents, solubilizing agents or suspending agents.

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For administration by inhalation the compounds are conveniently delivered from an insufflator, nebulizer, pressurized packs or other convenient means of delivering an aerosol spray. Pressurized packs may comprise a suitable propellant such as dichlorodifluoromethane, trichlorofluoromethane, dichiorotetrafluoroethane, carbon dioxide or other suitable gas. In the case of a pressurized aerosol, the dosage unit may be determined by providing a valve to deliver a metered amount.

Alternatively, for administration by inhalation or insufflation, the compounds may take the form of a dry powder composition, for example a powder mix of the compound and a suitable powder base such as lactose or starch. The powder composition may be presented in unit dosage form, in for example, capsules, cartridges, gelatin or blister packs from which the powder may be administered with the aid of an inhalator or insufflators.

Other formulations include implantable devices and adhesive patches; which release a therapeutic agent.

When desired, the above described formulations, adapted to give sustained release of the active ingredient, may be employed. The pharmaceutical compositions may also contain other active ingredients such as antimicrobial agents, immunosuppressants or preservatives.

It should be understood that in addition to the ingredients particularly mentioned above, the formulations of this invention may include other agents conventional in the art having regard to the type of formulation in question, for example, those suitable for oral administration may include flavoring agents.

Preferred unit dosage formulations are those containing an effective dose, as recited below, or an appropriate fraction thereof, of the active ingredient.

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For each of the aforementioned conditions, the compositions, e.g., polypeptides and organic compounds are administered orally or via injection at a dose of from about 0.1 to about 250 mg/kg per day. The dose range for adult humans is generally from about 5 mg to about 17.5 g/day, preferably about 5 mg to about 10 g/day, and most preferably about 100 mg to about 3 g/day. Tablets or other unit dosage forms of presentation provided in discrete units may conveniently contain an amount which is effective at such dosage or as a multiple of the same, for instance, units containing about 5 mg to about 500 mg, usually from about 100 mg to about 500 mg.

The dose employed will depend upon a number of factors, including the age and sex of the subject, the precise disorder being treated, and its severity. Also the route of administration may vary depending upon the condition and its severity.

The invention will be further described in the following examples, which do not limit the scope of the invention described in the claims. The following examples illustrate the identification and characterization of genes differentially expressed in PNC cells.

Genome-wide cDNA Microarray Analysis of Gene-Expression Profiles of Pancreatic Cancer Using Cancer and Normal Ductal Epithelial Cells Purely Selected by Laser Microdissection

Tumor markers and targets for therapeutic intervention were identified by analyzing gene-expression profiles using a cDNA microarray representing 23,040 genes. Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma that has a characteristic of highly desmoplastic stromal reaction contained a low proportion of cancer cells in the tumor mass. Furthermore, normal duct epithelial cells from which the pancreatic carcinoma originates correspond to a few percent of the pancreas tissue. Therefore, cancer cells were purified from 18 pancreatic cancers by means of laser microbeam microdissection (LMM). Gene expression profiles were examined and compared with those of normal purified pancreatic ductal epithelial cells. These cell populations had been rendered homogenous (more than 95% purified cells). As a result, 259 genes were identified to be commonly up-regulated in pancreatic cancer cells;

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among them, the disease correlation and/or function of 64 (including 30 ESTs) genes were not known prior to the invention. The up-regulated genes included ones that were previously reported to be over-expressed in pancreatic cancer, such as interferon-induced transmembrane protein 1 (IFITM1), plasminogen activator, urokinase (PLAU), prostate stem cell antigen (PSCA), S100 calcium binding protein P (S100P), and baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 5 (BIRC5). 346 genes were identified as being commonly down-regulated in pancreatic cancer cells. Of them, 211 genes were functionally characterized and included some tumor suppressor genes such as AXIN1 up-regulated 1(AXUD1), deleted in liver cancer 1 (DLC1), growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta (GADD45B), p53-inducible p53DINP1 (p53DINP1).

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The present gene expression profile represents a highly accurate cancer reference, because a number of limitations of earlier methods were overcome. First, a microarray analysis using clinical samples has been difficult, because of various cellular components are present in the normal as well as cancer tissues. In particular, pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma that has a characteristic of highly desmoplastic stromal reaction contained a low proportion of cancer cells in the tumor mass. Furthermore, the normal pancreas is mostly constituted from acinar cells and islets that accounted for more than 95% of whole pancreas, and normal duct epithelial cells from which the pancreatic carcinoma originates correspond to a few % of the pancreas. Therefore, the analysis of gene-expression profiles using bulk pancreatic cancer and normal whole pancreatic tissues is significantly influenced by the proportions of cells mixed in the tissues examined; proportional differences of acinar cells, islet cells, fibroblasts, and inflammatory cells may mask the significant increase or decrease of genes that are involved in pancreatic carcinogenesis. Hence, in this study, LMM systems were used to purify cancer and normal epithelial cells from surgical specimens to a high degree of purity (95% or higher). Because it is possible to microdissect even a single cell with LMM, this technology is critical for an accurate microarray analysis of pancreatic cancer specimens. To evaluate the purifity of micordissected pancreatic cancer and normal ductal cells, the expression profile of AMY1A gene which is known to be expressed specifically in acinar cells were analyzed. As a result, the proportion of contaminating acinar cells in the dissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells was estimated to be smaller than 0.29%. In addition to AMY1A, expression levels of other genes that were highly expressed in acinar cells like elastase 1, trypsin 1, and pancreatic lipase were examined. Similar results were

obtained, indicating that the purifity of cell populations by the LMM technique was as high as 99.2%-99.7%.

Second, the quality of extracted RNA from clinical tissue, particularly from pancreas, is one of the most important factors. Pancreas is known to be RNase-rich organ and degradation of RNA occurs very rapidly. In this study, the quality of the extracted RNA from the specimen was examined by visualization of 28S and 18S ribosomal RNAs using denaturing agarose gel electrophoresis. Following electrophoretic analysis, samples in which bands corresponding to two ribosomal RNAs were clearly observed were selected. For example, 18 cases (32%) were selected from the 56 surgically-ressected cases, i.e., many were not included in the analysis due to the poor quality of RNA.

Careful purification of cancer cells as well as normal epitherial ductal cells, subsequent RNA isolation, and cDNA microarray analysis identified 259 genes whose expression was commonly up-regulated (genes which were able to obtain expression data in more than 50% cancer cases and whose expression ratio(Cy5/Cy3 intensity ratio) was more than 5.0 and the genes which were able to calculate in 33 to 50% cases and which expressed the expression ratio of more than 5.0 in all of that cases were also evaluated)

Over 90% of the gene expression profile of pancreatic cancer was different from previous pancreatic cancer expression profiles, because the expression data was obtained by testing highly purified cell populations obtained from patient tissues using laser dissection techniques.

The profiles obtained and described herein represent an improvement over earlier profiles, because they were obtained by analyzing highly purified populations of cancerous cells (pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma) and compared to a highly purified population of the most relevant normal control, i.e., normal duct epithelial cells. Earlier methods and profiles were hampered by a high percentage of contaminating cells, which reduced the accuracy and reliability of earlier profiles. This present profile is the first one of precise and genome-wide gene expression profiles in large-scale pancreatic cancer. These data identify molecular targets for therapeutic modulation for the treatment of pancreatic cancer and specific novel tumor markers for early and accurate diagnosis of the cancer or a precancerous condition.

#### EXAMPLE 1: PREPARATION OF TEST SAMPLES

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Tissue obtained from diseased tissue (e.g., epithelial cells from PNC) and normal

tissues was evaluated to identify genes which are differently expressed or a disease state, *e.g.*, PNC. The assays were carried out as follows.

#### Patients, tissue samples, and laser microdissection

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Tissue samples of pancreatic cancer (n = 18) and normal pancreas (n = 7) were obtained from surgical specimens from patients with informed consent. All pancreatic cancer tissues had histologically confirmed invasive ductal carcinoma. Clinicopathological features of the patients we used in this study are summarized in Table 1. Since almost all pancreatic ductal cells from corresponding normal tissue blocks showed dysplastic changes mostly because of downstream ductal obstruction, ductal cells for only 4 of the 18 pancreatic cancer tissues were suitable to use as normal controls. Hence, additional control ductal cells were obtained from 3 normal pancreas tissues from patients who were operated by cholangiocarcinoma, duodenal leiomyosarcoma, or ampullary tumor. In each case, the specimens were harvested immediately after surgical resection and were embedded in TissueTek OCT medium (Sakura, Tokyo, Japan) before storage at -80°C. The frozen tissues were cut to 8-µm sections using a cryostat (Sakura, Tokyo, Japan) and then stained with Hematoxylin and Eosin, and check the histological state. Pancreatic carcinoma cells and normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells were isolated selectively using the EZ cut system with pulsed ultraviolet narrow beam focus laser (SL Microtest GmbH, Germany) in accordance with the manufacturer's protocols. After microdissection, 7 normal cases were mixed to make a "universal control of normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells", that was used as a control for all 18 cancer samples.

Table1. Clinoo	Table1. Clinocopathological features of the pancreatic cancer patients								
Patient No.	Age	Sex	location	рT	pΝ	M	Stage	Histopathology	Status
1	74	M	pb	1	0	0	I	por	alive
2	56	F	ph	2	0	0	I	pap	alive
3	61	M	ph	1	0	0	I	mod	alive
4	75	M	ph	2	0	0	I	pap	alive
5	unknown	M	ph	3	1	0	III	mod	alive
6	unknown	M	pb	4	0	0	IVA	well	alive
7	77	M	phpb	4	0	0	IVA	mod	dead
8	73	F	ph	4	1	0	IVA	mod	dead
9	75	M	pb	4	1	0	IVA	adenoscc	alive
10	61	M	ph	4	0	0	IVA	mod	alive
11	64	M	ph	4	1	0	IVA	well	dead
12	61	M	ph	4	1	0	IVA	mod	dead

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	13	65	M	ph	4	1	0	IVA	mod	dead
	14	46	M	ph	4	1_	0	IVA	mod	dead
	15	59	M	ph	4	0	0	IVA	mod=por	alive
	16	58	M	ph	4	1	0	ΓVA	mod	dead
F	17	74	F	pb	4	1	1	IVB	mod	dead
Г	18	69	F	ph	4	1	1	IVB	mod	dead

Clinical stage was judged according to the UICC TNM classification

location: Tumor location, ph: pancreas head, pb: pancreas body

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All patients were Invasive ductal adenocarcinomas, well: Tubular adenocarcinoma well differentiated type

mod: Tubular adenocarcinoma mderately type, por: Tubular adenocarcinoma poorly differentiated type,

pap: Papillary adenocarcinoma, adenosco: Adenosquamous carcinoma

## <u>Isolation of pancreatic cancer cells and normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells by using LMM</u>

To obtain precise expression profiles of pancreatic cancer cells, LMM was used to purify cancer cells and avoid contamination of non-cancerous cells. In addition, since pancreatic cancer originates from pancreatic ductal cells, pancreatic ductal epithelial cells were used as controls. The great majority of cells in pancreas are acinar cells, it was determined that the use of the entire pancreas was inappropriate for screening genes associated with pancreatic carcinogenesis. As shown in Fig. 1, representative cancer cases (Fig. 1A and 1B), and normal pancreatic duct (Fig. 1C and 1D) were microdissected. Fig. 1A and 1B showed a well-differentiated type and a scirrhous type of invasive ductal adenocarcinoma, and the proportion of cancer cell was about 30% and 10%, respectively. After isolation of pancreatic cancer cells by LMM, we estimated that the proportion of pancreatic cancer cells used in this study was at least 95%.

The proportion of acinar cells contaminated was examined in the microdissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells which used as universal control (Fig1C and 1D). The signal intensity of AMY1A gene was examined that is known to be expressed exclusively in normal acinar cells. The signal intensity of whole pancreatic tissue was investigated in which >90% of the cells are acinar cells, the ratio of the average signal intensity of the pancreatic amylase gene to that of ACTB was approximately 96.7, whereas the ratio of that in microdissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells in this study was calculated approximately 0.28. This result showed the proportion of contaminating acinar cells in the microdissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells was estimated to be 0.29% in average (Fig. 1). Furthermore, the extent of contamination of acinar cells was determined in the microdissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells. Pancreatic amylase gene (AMY1A)

that is expressed exclusively in pancreatic acinar cells was used to evaluate the proportion of the acinar cells in microdissected normal pancreatic ductal epithelial cells. Each intensity was normalized by intensity of  $\beta$ -actin gene (ACTB) as follows;

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(Ratio A) the AMY1A /ACTB intensity ratio in whole pancreas (most of the cells correspond to acinar cells) = 96.74

(Ratio B) the AMY1A/ACTB intensity ratio in microdissected normal ductal epithelial cells = 0.28

Contamination percentage (%); (Ratio B) / (Ratio A) x 100 = 0.29%

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### Extraction of RNA and T7-based RNA amplification

Total RNAs were extracted from each sample of laser-microdissected cells into 350 μl of RLT lysis buffer (QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany). The extracted RNAs were treated for 30 minutes at room temperature with 30 units of DNase I (Roche, Basel, Switzerland) in the presence of 1 unit of RNase inhibitor (TOYOBO, Osaka, Japan) to remove any contaminating genomic DNA. After inactivation at 70° C for 10 min, the RNAs were purified with an RNeasy Mini Kit (QIAGEN) according to the manufacturer's recommendations. All of the DNase I-treated RNAs were subjected to T7-based RNA amplification as described previously. Two rounds of amplification yielded 50-100µg of aRNA from each sample. A 2.5µg aliquot of aRNA from cancer and normal pancreatic duct epithelial cells was labeled with Cy5-dCTP or Cy3-dCTP, respectively, by a protocol described elsewhere. The hybridization, washing, and scanning were carried out according to the methods described previously (11).

#### Preparation of the cDNA microarray

A genome-wide cDNA microarray with 23,040 cDNAs selected from the UniGene database (build # 131) of the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) was constructed. Briefly, the cDNAs were amplified by RT-PCR using poly(A)<sup>+</sup> RNA isolated from various human organs as templates; the lengths of the amplicons ranged from 200 to 1,100 bp that did not contain repetitive or poly(A) sequences. The cDNA microarray system was constructed essentially as described previously (11).

## Acquisition of data

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Signal intensities of Cy3 and Cy5 from the 23,040 spots were quantified and analyzed by substituting backgrounds, using ArrayVision software (Imaging Research, Inc., St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada). Subsequently, the fluorescent intensities of Cy5 (tumor) and Cy3 (control) for each target spot were adjusted so that the mean Cy3/Cy5 ratio of the 52 housekeeping genes was equal to one. Because the data derived from low signal intensities are less reliable, a cut-off value for signal intensities was determined on each slide and excluded genes from further analysis when both Cy3 and Cy5 dyes provided signal intensities lower than the cut-off as described previously (12). For other genes we calculated the Cy5/Cy3 ratio using raw data of each sample.

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#### Semi-Quantitative RT-PCR

The 12 highly up-regulated genes were selected and examined their expression levels by applying the semi-quantitative RT-PCR experiments. A 3-µg aliquot of aRNA from each sample was reversely-transcribed for single-stranded cDNAs using random primer (Roche) and Superscript II (Life Technologies, Inc.). Each cDNA mixture was diluted for subsequent PCR amplification with the same primer sets that were prepared for the target DNA or tubulin, alpha-specific reactions. The primer sequences are listed in Table 2. Expression of tubulinalpha served as an internal control. PCR reactions were optimized for the number of cycles to ensure product intensity within the linear phase of amplification.

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		Table 2	Primer sequences for semi-quanti	tative_F	RT-PCR experiments	
PNC Assign ment	Acce ssion No.	Sym bol	Forward primer	SE Q ID NO	Reverse primer	SE Q ID NO
12	AA9 1682 6	APP	5'- CTGCTGGTCTTCAATTACC AAG-3'	No.	5'- CTCATCCCCTTATATTGC CACTT-3'	No. 2
13	L206 88	ARH GDI B	5'- CTCCCTCTGATCCTCCATC AG-3'	No. 3	5'- TCTTGTTCTCTTGTGTCGT TTACAG-3'	No. 4
15	L242 03	ATD C	5'- CATTCTCTCTGGCGATGGA GTG-3'	No. 5	5'- ACCAATGGTTTATTCCAA AGGG-3'	No. 6
16	U514 78	ATP1 B3	5'- CAGTGTACAGTCGCCAGA TAG-3'	No. 7	5'- TCCTCACATACAGAACTT CTCCAC-3'	No. 8
19	U752 85	BIRC 5	5'- CTCCCTCAGAAAAAGGCA GTG-3'	No. 9	5'- GAAGCTGTAACAATCCA CCCTG-3'	No. 10

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22	AF06 8760	BUB 1B	5'- AGCTAGGCAATCAAGTCT CAC-3'	No. 11	AGGGAAAAGTAGAGACA AATGGG-3'	No. 12
33	AB0 1153 6	CEL SR3	5'- AAGCAGCTTCCTGGGAGA TT-3'	No. 13	5'- ACGGAACAATTTACACA GACAGG-3'	No. 14
35	X549 41	CKS 1	5'- ACTATTCGGACAAATACG ACGAC-3'	No. 15	5'- CACTGTTTGAATGTGCTG GTAAC-3'	No. 16
36	X549 42	CKS 2	5'- CAAGCAGATCTACTCG GACAA-3'	No. 17	5'- CAGTAACCTACTTGCAGT TGCATT-3'	No. 18
48	AA5 7995 9	CYP 2S1	5'- CACCCTGATTCTACCAAAT GC-3'	No. 19	5'- CCTTAAGTCACAAGGAA CGTCAG-3'	No. 20
54	M91 670	E2- EPF	5'- TCTGCTCACAGAGATCCAC G-3'	No. 21	5'- TTAGAGACAGAGTTGGA GGGAGG-3'	No. 22
56	U326 45	ELF4	5'- AGAAATGTCAGCCACGGA AAC-3'	No. 23	5'- AAAGGCACTTTAATGCC AACTG-3'	No. 24
57	AF01 0314	ENC 1	5'- CGATATAGGCATTTGGTCT CAC-3'	No. 25	5'- TTTCTCTTCATTAGACTT GGCCTCT-3'	No. 26
59	L366 45	EPH A4	5'- GAAGGCGTGGTCACTAAA TGTAA-3'	No. 27	5'- CTTTAATTTCAGAGGGCG AAGAC-3'	No. 28
61	AI62 7919	Evi-1	5'- GCAAGCTTGTGCGATGTTA TGT-3'	No. 29	5'- CTCCTCCCATAGTAATGC ACTGA-3'	No. 30
63	L167 83	FOX M1	5'- GATGGATGCAACTGAAGC AGAG-3'	No. 31	5'- GTCCACCTTCGCTTTTAT TGAGT-3'	No. 32
73	AA6 5219 7	GW1 12	5'- GAAAATCTGATGGCAGTG ACAA-3'	No. 33	5'- AAGGTTTCCAACTACTGC ACTGA-3'	No. 34
74	J045 01	GYS1	5'- TGCCCACTGTGAAACCACT AG-3'	No. 35	5'- CATCTCATCTCCGGACAC ACT-3'	No. 36
77	D164 31	HDG F	5'- TATCCCAGCTGCCTAGATT C-3'	No. 37	5'- GAGTCTTCCCAAGCATCC TATTT-3'	No. 38
83	M16 937	HOX B7	5'- GTACCTATAGGAAAGTCT GTC-3'	No. 39	5'- AACACGCGAGTGGTAGG TTTT-3'	No. 40
84	AA4 9586 8	hPA D- colon y10	5'- CACTGAGCCAACTACTGTC ACTG-3'	No. 41	5'- CTTCCTACCCACAGCTCT TTCTC-3'	No. 42
102	U637 43	KNS L6	5'- ACTCTAGGACTTGCATGAT TGCC-3'	No. 43	5'- TCCTCTAGGACTCTAGGG AGACA-3'	No. 44
103	U703 22	KPN B2	5'- TCTTGGAGACTATAAGGG AGCC-3'	No. 45	5'- TTTTGCTTCTTCACATCC ACTG-3'	No. 46
115	X577 66	MMP 11	5'- GCACTGAAGCAAGGGTGC TG-3'	No. 47	5'- GACAGGATTGAGGTATG TTGCAG-3'	No. 48

120	X132 93	MYB L2	5'- TCCTGAGGTGTTGAGGGTG TC-3'	No. 49	5'- ATCCTAAGCAGGGTCTG AGATG-3'	No. 50
125	X043 71	OAS 1	5'- TTTCAGGATCAGTTAAATC GCC-3'	No. 51	5'- GGCCTGGCTGAATTACCC ATG-3'	No. 52
127	U657 85	ORP 150	5'- GTTCTGCTCCTCCCAGACA G-3'	No. 53	5'- GCCCTAGCTCCTGCTACA GA-3'	No. 54
132	D385 54	PCO LN3	5'- GCTCACTGCGTTTGGTTTT C-3'	No. 55	5'- CAGCATTCTAGGAGAAA GGTGAA-3'	No. 56
141	AA9 3198 1	PPM 1B	5'- CTGTAACGTTTTCCTGAAG CTGT-3'	No. 57	5'- TCAGTACAGGGTTGGATC AGAGT-3'	No. 58
143	AF04 4588	PRC 1	5'- GTGCCTACTTTGCCTGAGT TC-3'	No. 59	5'- CAGGACACGTACTGTAT GAGGTAAA-3'	No. 60
149	AF04 3498	PSC A	5'- GACCATGTATGTTTGCACC C-3'	No. 61	5'- AACTCACGTCAACTCTTG TCCTC-3' 5'-	No. 62
152	M77 836	PYC R1	5'- ATCCCAAGTCCAGCGTGA AG-3'	No. 63	TCCACTATTCCACCCACA GTAAC-3' 5'-	No. 64
155	X646 52	RBM SI	5'- CTGTCGAGACGTCTAATGA CC-3'	No. 65	TTACTAAAATAAACCTGT TCGGGGG-3' 5'-	No. 66
157	AA3 1652 5	REGI V	5'- CCAGTAGTGGCTTCTAGCT C-3'	No. 67	GAAAAACAAGCAGGAGT TGAGTG-3' 5'-	No. 68
164	AA3 0806 2	S100 P	5'- GCATGATCATAGACGTCTT TTCC-3'	No. 69	GATGAACTCACTGAAGT CCACCT-3' 5'-	No. 70
169	AF02 9082	SFN	GAGCGCACCTAACCACTG GTC-3'	No. 71	TGAGTGTCACAGGGGAA CTTTAT-3' 5'-	No. 72
170	AA6 3959 9	SLC1 2A2	5'- AACCGAAGTCTCCATACA CG-3'	No. 73	GTTCGTGGGAATCATCAG AG-3' 5'-	No. 74
173	K031 95	SLC2 A1	5'- AACCGAAGTCTCCATACA CG-3' 5'-	No. 75	GTTCGTGGGAATCATCAG AG-3' 5'-	No. 76
178	M32 313	SRD 5A1	TCTGTAACAATAACAAGA CC-3' 5'-	No. 77	CCAGATGAGATGATAAG GCAAAG-3' 5'-	No. 78
180	M81 601	TCE A1	TGTCCCAAGTCTTATTTGC TGA-3' 5'-	No. 79	GCAACAGTGGCCTTTAA AGTATG-3' 5'-	No. 80
184	K025 81	TK1	GTAATTGTGGCTGCACTGG AT-3' 5'-	No. 81	ATTTCATAAGCTACAGCA GAGGC-3' 5'-	02
188	U733 79	UBC H10	ACACACATGCTGCCGAGC TC-3' 5'-	No. 83	TAATATACAAGGGCTCA ACCGAG-3' 5'-	No. 84
196	AA5 8194 0	WHS C1	CCTATGAGTGTAGTTGATG AC-3'	65	CAACTGGCAAGTCTCAA CTCTCT-3'	No. 86 No.
198	AA7	FLJ1	5'-	No.		110.

	0915	0134	TCCAGATGGATTTGTCCTG	87	TAGTAGCAAGCCCAGTA ACCTTG-3'	88
	5		TATC-3'			
	AA8	FLJI	5'-	No.	5'-	No.
199	0663 0	0540	GCTTACCATTGAAACTTAA CCCC-3'	89	CTCATTTACAGTAGCCCA GTGGT-3'	90
	AA9	77. 70	5'-	NΤα	5'-	No.
203	1881	FLJ2	GACTTCCACAATGAACAG	No.	ATTGGAATAAGAGGAAC	
	1	0225	GGTAA-3'	91	AGGAGC-3'	92
	•		5'-		5'-	
000	D146	KIAA		No.	GGCAGCAGTACAACAAT	No.
208	57	0101	CCAATTAGCTTTGTTGAAC AGGC-3'	93	CTAAGC-3'	94
	D207	KIAA	5'-	No.	5'-	No.
217	R397		CAGTGCTACACCCACTTCT		ATACCACCAATGGTTCTG	
	94	1624	TG-3'	95	CTATG-3'	96
	AA4		5'-		5'-	
210		KIAA		No.		No.
218	3404	1808	CTCATCTTTGAAGCCAGCA	97	GACTCACAGGCAGGAAC	98
	5	1000	G-3'		ATC-3'	
	AA5	FLJ2	5'-	No.	5'-	No.
225	2311		GGATAGCTGGGGCATTTGT		TCCATAAAAGAGTTTGGC	
	7	1504	CTAG-3'	99	AGTC-3'	100
	AA7		5'-		5'-	
231	8933	VAN	GAGTTGTATTATGAAGAG	No.	ATGTCTCAGACTGTAAGC	No.
231		GL1		101		102
	2		GCCGA-3'		GAAGG-3'	
	AI34		5'-	No.	5'-	No.
234	9804	EST	GTAGATGTGGGGACAACA	103	TTTAAAGTCACCTTAGGT	104
	700 <del>4</del>		GAGAG-3'	103	TGGGG-3'	10-7
	AA8		5'-	3.7	5'-	NT-
239	0611	EST	CACCTATCCCTATTACCTG	No.	TCTGAGGGTTTACATTGA	No.
20)	4	_~_	ACCC-3'	105	CGACT-3'	106
	AA4		5'-		5'-	
0.40		rom	_	No.	ATTTCCACCGAGACCTCT	No.
242	1956	EST	GAGTCCAGGTAAGTGAAT	107		108
	8		CTGTCC-3'		CATC-3'	
	AA5		5'-	No.	5'-	No.
245	7018	EST	GTCTATCTGTGCTGGAACC	109	GTGTAGGTGAGTGCTTTC	110
	6		TGAG-3'	109	TCCA-3'	110
	AA8		5'-		5'-	
253	3032	EST	ACTCCCGAGTAAATCATA	No.	GACTGTTTCTACTCCAGA	No.
233	6	ESI	GAGCC-3'	111	GGGGT-3'	112
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	AI24	FXY	5'-	No.	5'-	No.
254	0520	D3	AAAGCTGATGAGGACAGA	113	GGCAGAGGCACAATCAT	114
	0520	DJ	CCAG-3'	115	TTTAG-3'	
	1.700		5'-	NT-	5'-	Ma
259	AI02	EST	TGGTGTCTTTCTACCATTC	No.	AAAAGGCTAGTCCCCTTC	No.
	7791		AAGG-3'	115	TACCT-3'	116
			5'-		5'-	
	AF14	TUB	*	No.	AAGGATTATGAGGAGGT	No.
	1347	$\boldsymbol{A}$	CTTGGGTCTGTAACAAAGC	117		118
			ATTC-3'		TGGTGT-3'	-

Accession numbers and gene symbols were retrieved from the Unigene Databases (build#131).

## EXAMPLE 2: IDENTIFICATION OF PNC – ASSOCIATED GENES

The up- or down-regulated genes were identified common to pancreatic cancer using following criteria; 1) genes which were able to obtain expression data in more than 50%

cancer cases, and 2) genes whose expression ratio was more than 5.0 in pancreatic cancer cells (defined as up-regulated genes) or genes whose expression ratio was under 0.2 (defined as down-regulated genes) in more than 50% of informative cases. Moreover, 3) the genes which were able to calculate in 33 to 50% cases and which expressed the expression ratio of more than 5.0 in all of that cases were also evaluated as up-regulated genes.

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# <u>IDENTIFICATION OF GENES WITH CLINICALLY RELEVANT EXPRESSION PATTERNS IN</u> PNC CELLS

The expression of approximately 23,000 genes in in 18 pancreatic cancer patients was examined using cDNA microarray. Individual data were excluded when both Cy5 and Cy3 signals were under cut-off values. Two hundred fifty-nine up-regulated genes were identified whose expression ratio was more than 5.0 in PNC cells (*see* Table 3). 167 of them were expressed greater than 10-fold comparing to the normal ductal cells. Three hundred forty-six down-regulated genes whose expression ratio was less than 0.2 were identified (*see* Table 4).

Among the up-regulated genes, interferon induced transmembrane protein 1 (IFITM1), plasminogen activator, urokinase (PLAU), prostate stem cell antigen (PSCA), S100 calcium binding protein P (S100P), RNA binding-motif single-stranded interacting protein 1 (RBMS1), and baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 5 (BIRC5), have been reported to be overexpressed in pancreatic cancer (5, 6). Furthermore, these up-regulated genes included ones encoding proteins involved in the signal transduction pathway, transcriptional factors, cell cycle, and cell adhesion (Table 5).

Significantly overexpressed genes have diagnostic potential, and of them which were critical for tumor growth have also therapeutic potential. Specifically, genes such as regenerating gene type IV (REGIV), ephrin type-A receptor 4 precursor (EphA4), and vang (van gogh, Drosophila)-like 1 (VANGL1), are useful as a potential molecular target for new therapeutic agents.

REGIV was over-expressed in all informative pancreatic cancer cases, and the overexpression was confirmed in 7 of the 12 pancreatic cancer cases by semi-quantitative RT-PCR. Since REGIV protein was thought to be a secreted protein from the amino-acid sequences and in fact its secretion was detected in the culture medium of HT29-5M12 cells (22), it is a candidate as tumor marker.

EphA4 was indicated to be overexpressed in 12 of the 14 informative pancreatic cancer cases in the microarray, and confirmed in 9 of the 12 cases were examined by semi-quantitative RT-PCR. EphA4 is known to be a membrane receptor belonging to the ephrin family, which contains an intracellular tyrosine kinase catalytic domain (23). Involvement of EphA4 in any human cancer has not been reported. However, its nature of the cytoplasmic membrane receptor protein with possible tyrosine kinase activity as well as high level expression in cancer cells suggest that EphA4 is a candidate gene for therapeutic agents.

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VANGL1 was over-expressed if all of the informative pancreatic cancer cases in the microarray data, and its high expression was also confirmed in 9 of the 12 cases by semi-quantitative RT-PCR. VANGL1, which contained four putative transmembrane domains, was expressed specifically in testis and ovary among 29 normal tissues examined (4). This gene was also highly and frequency transactivated in hepatocellular carcinoma. Since the enforced reduction of this gene expression in hepatocellular carcinomas induced apoptosis (4), this gene product is a good candidate for development of novel anti-cancer drugs. Among the genes that were functionally highly overexpressed in pancreatic cancer such as the above mentioned genes, those whose products are putative membranous or secreted are of interest for potential as novel anti-cancer drugs or as serological diagnostic markers for early detection.

To confirm the reliability of the expression profiles indicated by microarray analysis, semi-quantitative RT-PCR experiments were performed. Other 55 genes whose cancer/normal ratios were highest among the informative genes, APP, ARHGDIB, ATDC, ATP1B3, BIRC5, BUB1B, CELSR3, CKS1, CKS2, CYP2S1, E2-EPF, ELF4, ENC1, Evi-1, FOXM1, GW112, GYS1, HDGF, HOXB7, hPAD-colony10, KNSL6, KPNB2, MMP11, MYBL2, OAS1, ORP150, PCOLN3, PPM1B, PRC1, PSCA, PYCR1, RBMS1, S100P, SFN, SLC12A2, SLC2A1, SRD5A1, TCEA1, TK1, UBCH10, WHSC1, FLJ10134, FLJ10540, FLJ20225, KIAA0101, KIAA1624, KIAA1808, FLJ21504, FXYD3, and 6 ESTs (Accession No.AI349804, AA806114, AA419568, AA570186, AA830326, AI027791) were PCR-amplified and compared with the microarray data. As shown in Fig.2, the results of the cDNA microarray werehighly similar to those of the RT-PCR analysis in the great majority of the tested cases.

APP was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, ARHGDIB was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, WO 2004/031412

ATDC was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, ATP1B3 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, BIRC5 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, BUB1B was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, CELSR3 was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases, 5 CKS1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 7 of the 12 cases, CKS2 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, CYP2S1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, E2-EPF was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, ELF4 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, 10 ENC1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 7 of the 12 cases, Evi-1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, FOXM1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, GW112 was confirmed whose over-expression in 7 of the 12 cases, GYS1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, 15 HDGF was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, HOXB7 was confirmed whose over-expression in 6 of the 12 cases, hPAD-colony10 was confirmed whose over-expression in 6 of the 12 cases, KNSL6 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, KPNB2 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, 20 MMP11 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, MYBL2 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, OAS1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, ORP150 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, PCOLN3 was confirmed whose over-expression in 4 of the 12 cases, 25 PPM1B was confirmed whose over-expression in 3 of the 12 cases, PRC1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, PSCA was confirmed whose over-expression in 6 of the 12 cases, PYCR1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases, RBMS1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, 30 S100P was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, SFN was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases,

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SLC12A2 was confirmed whose over-expression in 5 of the 12 cases, SLC2A1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, SRD5A1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, TCEA1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, TK1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, 5 UBCH10 was confirmed whose over-expression in 10 of the 12 cases, WHSC1 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, FLJ10134 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, FLJ10540 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, FLJ20225 was confirmed whose over-expression in 5 of the 12 cases, 10 KIAA0101 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, KIAA1624 was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases, KIAA1808 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, FLJ21504 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, 15 FXYD3 was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases, and Accession No.AI349804 was confirmed whose over-expression in 11 of the 12 cases, AA806114 was confirmed whose over-expression in 8 of the 12 cases, AA419568 was confirmed whose over-expression in 9 of the 12 cases, AA570186 was confirmed whose over-expression in 6 of the 12 cases, AA830326 was confirmed whose over-expression in 12 cases, 20 AI027791 was confirmed whose over-expression in 6 of the 12 cases.

These data verified the reliability of our strategy to identify commonly up-regulated genes in PNC cells.

Among the 346 down-regulated genes in pancreatic cancer cells, functions of 211 genes are characterized. These included genes that have been reported to be invoved in growth suppression (24,27,28,29), such as AXIN1 up-regulated 1(AXUD1), Deleted in liver cancer 1 (DLC1), growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta (GADD45B), and P53-inducible p53DINP1 (p53DINP1).

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The down-regulated genes are likely to have a tumor suppressive function. Although the representative tumor suppressor genes for pancreatic cancer such as SMAD4, TP53, INK4A, and BRCA2 (24, 25) were not observed in down-regulated gene list, other genes that were reported to be involved in tumor suppression or apoptosis, such as, AXIN1 up-regulated

1(AXUD1), deleted in liver cancer 1 (DLC1), growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta (GADD45B), p53-inducible p53DINP1 (p53DINP1) were included in these data.

AXUD1, a nuclear protein, is induced in response to elevation of axin that is a key mediator of the Wnt-signalling pathway and is important in axis formation in early development. Dysfunction or down-regulation of the Wnt-signaling pathway is observed in human tumors, suggesting that this gene product has a tumor suppressor function (26, 27). Hence, these data imply that down-regulation of AXUD1 might lead to down-regulation of this signaling pathway and then lead to pancreatic carcinogenesis. Deleted in liver cancer 1 (DLC1) was suggested to be a candidate tumor suppressor gene for human liver cancer, as well as for prostate, lung, colorectal, and breast cancers. DLC1 shares high sequence similarity with the rat p122 RhoGap that negatively regulates the Rho GTPases. Hence, down-regulation of DLC1 is considered to result in the constitutive activation of the Rho-kinase pathway and subsequent oncogenic malignant transformation (28, 29).

Table3. A list of up-regulated genes

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PNC Assign ment	Accession No.	Symbol	Gene Name
1	V00478	ACTB	actin, beta
2	D26579	ADAM8	a disintegrin and metalloproteinase domain 8
3	D14874	ADM	adrenomedullin
4	H78430	AHSG	alpha-2-HS-glycoprotein
5	W92633	AIB3	thyroid hormone receptor binding protein
6	AF024714	AIM2	absent in melanoma 2
7	X60673	AK3	adenylate kinase 3
8	AF047002	ALY	transcriptional coactivator
9	AI341261	ANLN	anillin (Drosophila Scraps homolog), actin binding protein
10	J03578	ANXA6	annexin A6
11	U81504	AP3B1	adaptor-related protein complex 3, beta 1 subunit
12	AA916826	APP	amyloid beta (A4) precursor protein (protease nexin-II, Alzheimer disease)
13	L20688	ARHGDIB	Rho GDP dissociation inhibitor (GDI) beta
14	AF006086	ARPC3	actin related protein 2/3 complex, subunit 3 (21 kD)
15	L24203	ATDC	ataxia-telangiectasia group D-associated protein
16	U51478	ATP1B3	ATPase, Na+/K+ transporting, beta 3 polypeptide
17	AA148566	ATP2B4	ATPase, Ca++ transporting, plasma membrane 4

18	W27948	ATP6S1	ATPase, H+ transporting, lysosomal (vacuolar proton pump), subunit 1
19	U75285	BIRC5	baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 5 (survivin)
20	L13689	BMI1	murine leukemia viral (bmi) oncogene homolog
21	W91908	BRAG	B cell RAG associated protein
22	AF068760	BUB1B	budding uninhibited by benzimidazoles 1 (yeast homolog), beta
23	AF028824	C19ORF3	chromosome 19 open reading frame 3
24	J04080	C1S	complement component 1, s subcomponent
25	M15082	C2	complement component 2
26	AA600048	CALD1	caldesmon 1
27	AA621719	CAP-C	chromosome-associated polypeptide C
28	AA557142	CD2AP	CD2-associated protein
29	Z11697	CD83	CD83 antigen (activated B lymphocytes, immunoglobulin superfamily)
30	H52870	CDC10	CDC10 (cell division cycle 10, S. cerevisiae, homolog)
31	AA421724	CDC20	CDC20 (cell division cycle 20, S. cerevisiae, homolog)
32	X63629	CDH3	cadherin 3, type 1, P-cadherin (placental)
33	AB011536	CELSR3	cadherin, EGF LAG seven-pass G-type receptor 3, flamingo (Drosophila) homolog
34	X95404	CFL1	cofilin 1 (non-muscle)
35	X54941	CKS1	CDC28 protein kinase 1
36	X54942	CKS2	CDC28 protein kinase 2
37	AA001074	CNNM4	Cyclin M4
38	AA977821	COL1A1	collagen, type I, alpha 1
39	J03464	COL1A2	collagen, type I, alpha 2
40	X14420	COL3A1	collagen, type III, alpha 1 (Ehlers-Danlos syndrome type IV, autosomal dominant)
41	AI140851	COL6A1	collagen, type VI, alpha 1
42	J04823	COX8	cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIII
43	AA523543	CRABP1	cellular retinoic acid-binding protein 1
			cofactor required for Sp1 transcriptional activation, subunit 3
44	AA905901	CRSP3	(130kD)
45	X16312	CSNK2B	casein kinase 2, beta polypeptide
46	U16306	CSPG2	chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 2 (versican)
47	U40763	CYP	Clk-associating RS-cyclophilin
48	AA579959	CYP2S1	cytochrome P540 family member predicted from ESTs
49	AA863145	DAO	D-amino-acid oxidase
50	AI287670	DDEFI	Development and differentiation enhancing factor 1

51	AI159886	DDX21	DEAD/H (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp/His) box polypeptide 21
52	U90426	DDXL	nuclear RNA helicase, DECD variant of DEAD box family
53	AA921756	DIA4	diaphorase (NADH/NADPH) (cytochrome b-5 reductase)
54	M91670	E2-EPF	ubiquitin carrier protein
55	AA457022	E2IG5	hypothetical protein, estradiol-induced
56	U32645	ELF4	E74-like factor 4 (ets domain transcription factor)
57	AF010314	ENC1	ectodermal-neural cortex (with BTB-like domain)
58	AF027299	EPB41L2	erythrocyte membrane protein band 4.1-like 2
59	L36645	EPHA4	EphA4
60	AA983304	ERH	enhancer of rudimentary (Drosophila) homolog
61	AI627919	Evi-1	ecotropic viral integration site 1
62	X02761	FN1	fibronectin 1
63	L16783	FOXM1	forkhead box M1
64	M14333	FYN	FYN oncogene related to SRC, FGR, YES
65	N36998	GALNT2	UDP-N-acetyl-alpha-D-galactosamine:polypeptide N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 2
66	AA418167	GATA3	GATA-binding protein 3
67	U78027	GLA	galactosidase, alpha
68	AF040260	GMDS	GDP-mannose 4,6-dehydratase
69	J03260	GNAZ	guanine nucleotide binding protein (G protein), alpha z polypeptide
70	D63997	GOLGA3	golgi autoantigen, golgin subfamily a, 3
71	X62320	GRN	granulin
72	D87119	GS3955	GS3955 protein
73	AA652197	GW112	differentially expressed in hematopoietic lineages
74	J04501	GYS1	glycogen synthase 1 (muscle)
75	M60756	H2BFQ	H2B histone family, member Q
76	AA608605	HCS	cytochrome c
77	D16431	HDGF	hepatoma-derived growth factor (high-mobility group protein 1-like)
78	X63187	HE4	epididymis-specific, whey-acidic protein type, four-disulfide core
79	AA714394	HMG2	high-mobility group (nonhistone chromosomal) protein 2 high-mobility group (nonhistone chromosomal) protein isoform I-
80	X92518	<i>HMGIC</i>	С
81	X06985	HMOX1	heme oxygenase (decycling) 1
82	N92060	$H\!N\!R\!P\!L$	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein L
83	M16937	HOXB7	homeo box B7
84	AA495868	hPAD- colony10	peptidylarginine deiminase type I

85	AF070616	HPCAL1	hippocalcin-like 1
86	AF064084	ICMT	isoprenylcysteine carboxyl methyltransferase
87	AA328385	ICSBP1	interferon consensus sequence binding protein 1
88	AA573936	IDH2	isocitrate dehydrogenase 2 (NADP+), mitochondrial
89	AI341760	IFI27	interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27
90	AI081175	IFITM1	interferon induced transmembrane protein 1 (9-27)
91	X16302	IGFBP2	insulin-like growth factor binding protein 2 (36kD)
92	M87789	IGHG3	immunoglobulin heavy constant gamma 3 (G3m marker)
93	M87790	$Igl\lambda$	immunoglobulin lambda locus
94	S74221	IK	IK cytokine, down-regulator of HLA II
95	X59770	IL1R2	interleukin 1 receptor, type II
96	J05272	IMPDH1	IMP (inosine monophosphate) dehydrogenase 1
97	AB003184	ISLR	immunoglobulin superfamily containing leucine-rich repeat
98	M15395	ITGB2	integrin, beta 2
99	L38961	ITM1	integral membrane protein 1
100	AA574178	KAI1	Kangai 1
101	M55513	KCNA5	potassium voltage-gated channel, shaker-related subfamily, member 5
102	U63743	KNSL6	kinesin-like 6 (mitotic centromere-associated kinesin)
103	U70322	KPNB2	karyopherin (importin) beta 2
104	J00269	KRT6A	keratin 6A
105	X53305	LAP18	leukemia-associated phosphoprotein p18 (stathmin)
106	AA742701	LCPI	lymphocyte cytosolic protein 1 (L-plastin)
107	AA826336	LHFPL2	lipoma HMGIC fusion partner-like 2
108	U24576	LMO4	LIM domain only 4
109	AA555023	LOC51191	cyclin-E binding protein 1
110	AI299952	LOC51765	serine/threonine protein kinase MASK
111	U89942	LOXL2	lysyl oxidase-like 2
112	U15128	MGAT2	mannosyl (alpha,6-)-glycoprotein beta,2-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase
113	J03746	MGST1	microsomal glutathione S-transferase 1
114	AA531437	MLLT4	myeloid/lymphoid or mixed-lineage leukemia (trithorax (Drosophila) homolog); translocated to, 4
115	X57766	MMP11	matrix metalloproteinase 11 (stromelysin 3)
116	J05070	MMP9	matrix metalloproteinase 9 (gelatinase B, 92kD gelatinase, 92kD type IV collagenase)
117	AF034374	MOCS1	molybdenum cofactor biosynthesis protein A; molybdenum cofactor biosynthesis protein C

118	M74905	$M\!PG$	N-methylpurine-DNA glycosylase
119	AA458825	MTIF2	mitochondrial translational initiation factor 2
120	X13293	MYBL2	v-myb avian myeloblastosis viral oncogene homolog-like 2
121	D32002	NCBP1	nuclear cap binding protein subunit 1, 80kD
122	AA729022	NCOA3	nuclear receptor coactivator 3
123	AF047434	NDUFS5	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 5 (15kD) (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
124	AA602490	NOP5/NOP58	nucleolar protein NOP5/NOP58
25	X04371	OAS1	2',5'-oligoadenylate synthetase 1 (40-46 kD)
126	M23204	OAT	ornithine aminotransferase (gyrate atrophy)
127	U65785	ORP150	oxygen regulated protein (150kD)
128	AI223298	P125	Sec23-interacting protein p125
129	M24486	P4HA1	procollagen-proline, 2-oxoglutarate 4-dioxygenase (proline 4- hydroxylase), alpha polypeptide I
130	M80482	PACE4	paired basic amino acid cleaving system 4
131	L11370	PCDH1	protocadherin 1 (cadherin-like 1)
132	D38554	PCOLN3	procollagen (type III) N-endopeptidase
133	AA034069	PDK1	pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase, isoenzyme 1
134	AA586974	PI3	protease inhibitor 3, skin-derived (SKALP)
135	M16750	PIM1	pim oncogene
136	AA234962	· PKP3	plakophilin 3
137	X02419	PLAU	plasminogen activator, urokinase
138	AA308562	PLEK2	pleckstrin 2 (mouse) homolog
139	U97519	PODXL	podocalyxin-like
140	AI185998	PPIC	peptidylprolyl isomerase C (cyclophilin C)
141	AA931981	PPM1B	protein phosphatase 1B (formerly 2C), magnesium-dependent, beta isoform
142	L42373	PPP2R5A	protein phosphatase 2, regulatory subunit B (B56), alpha isoform
143	AF044588	PRC1	protein regulator of cytokinesis 1
144	X74496	PREP	prolyl endopeptidase
145	M65066	PRKAR1B	protein kinase, cAMP-dependent, regulatory, type I, beta
146	AA972414	PRO2975	hypothetical protein PRO2975
147	D00860	PRPS1	phosphoribosyl pyrophosphate synthetase 1
148	D87258	PRSS11	protease, serine, 11 (IGF binding)
149	AF043498	PSCA	prostate stem cell antigen
150	D26598	PSMB3	proteasome (prosome, macropain) subunit, beta type, 3
151	X62006	PTB	polypyrimidine tract binding protein (heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein I)

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152	M77836	PYCR1	pyrroline-5-carboxylate reductase 1
153	X12953	RAB2	RAB2, member RAS oncogene family
154	AA346311	RAI3	retinoic acid induced 3
155	X64652	RBMS1	RNA binding motif, single stranded interacting protein 1
156	S45545	RCV1	recoverin
157	AA316525	REGIV	Regenerating gene type IV
158	AB008109	RGS5	regulator of G-protein signalling 5
159	AA778308	RNASE1	ribonuclease, RNase A family, 1 (pancreatic)
160	AA811043	RNASE6PL	ribonuclease 6 precursor
161	L05096	RPL39	Homo sapiens ribosomal protein L39 mRNA, complete cds
162	X76302	RY1	putative nucleic acid binding protein RY
163	D38583	S100A11	S100 calcium-binding protein A11 (calgizzarin)
164	AA308062	S100P	S100 calcium-binding protein P
165	AA452018	SCD	stearoyl-CoA desaturase (delta-9-desaturase)
166	D49737	SDHC	succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit C, integral membrane protein, 15kD
167	AA579861	SEC23A	Sec23 (S. cerevisiae) homolog A
168	AA430643	SEPW1	selenoprotein W, 1
169	AF029082	SFN	stratifin
			solute carrier family 12 (sodium/potassium/chloride transporters),
170	AA639599	SLC12A2	member 2
171	L20859	SLC20A1	solute carrier family 20 (phosphate transporter), member 1
172	L02785	SLC26A3	solute carrier family 26, member 3
173	K03195	SLC2A1	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 1
174	U09873	$S\!N\!L$	singed (Drosophila)-like (sea urchin fascin homolog like)
175	X13482	SNRPA1	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein polypeptide A'
176	M37716	<i>SNRPE</i>	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein polypeptide E
177	J03040	SPARC	secreted protein, acidic, cysteine-rich (osteonectin)
178	M32313	SRD5A1	steroid-5-alpha-reductase, alpha polypeptide 1
1 <b>79</b>	M95787	TAGLN	transgelin
180	M81601	TCEA1	transcription elongation factor A (SII), 1
181	AF033095	TEGT	testis enhanced gene transcript (BAX inhibitor 1)
182	L12350	THBS2	thrombospondin 2
183	M77142	TIA1	TIA1 cytotoxic granule-associated RNA-binding protein
184	K02581	TK1	thymidine kinase 1, soluble
185	AA429631	TK2	thymidine kinase 2, mitochondrial
186	U09087	TMPO	thymopoietin

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187	AF065388	TSPAN	tetraspan 1
188	U73379	UBCH10	ubiquitin carrier protein E2-C
189	AA977545	UBE2D2	ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2D 2 (homologous to yeast UBC4/5)
190	U45328	UBE2I	ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2I (homologous to yeast UBC9)
191	M57899	UGT1A1	UDP glycosyltransferase 1 family, polypeptide A1
192	AA315189	UQCRB	ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase binding protein
193	AB000450	VRK2	vaccinia related kinase 2
194	AA079060	WFDC2	WAP four-disulfide core domain 2
195	AA043277	WFS1	Wolfram syndrome 1 (wolframin)
196	AA581940	WHSC1	Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome candidate 1
197	AI185056	ZNF134	zinc finger protein 134 (clone pHZ5)
198	AA709155	FLJ10134	hypothetical protein FLJ10134
199	AA806630	FLJ10540	hypothetical protein FLJ10540
200	AA115015	FLJ10633	hypothetical protein FLJ10633
201	AA394229	FLJ10637	hypothetical protein FLJ10637
202	AA633302	FLJ20063	hypothetical protein FLJ20063
203	AA918811	FLJ20225	hypothetical protein
204	R09189	FLJ20281	hypothetical protein FLJ20281
205	AA112198	FLJ20296	hypothetical protein FLJ20296
206	AI033837	FLJ20406	hypothetical protein FLJ20406
207	AA974462	FLJ23053	hypothetical protein FLJ23053
208	D14657	KIAA0101	KIAA0101 gene product
209	D61862	<i>KIAA0332</i>	KIAA0332 protein
210	AB014566	<i>KIAA0666</i>	KIAA0666 protein
211	AB014570	<i>KIAA0670</i>	KIAA0670 protein/acinus
212	AA665890	<i>KIAA0729</i>	KIAA0729 protein
213	W80765	KIAA0731	KIAA0731 protein
214	AF052170	<i>KIAA0750</i>	KIAA0750 gene product
215	D20853	KIAA0776	KIAA0776 protein
216	AA031775	<i>KIAA0990</i>	KIAA0990 protein
217	R39794	KIAA1624	KIAA1624 protein
218	AA434045	KIAA1808	ESTs
219	AI074410	KIAA1863	Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ13996 fis, clone Y79AA1002211
220	AF070638	CGI-57	hypothetical protein
221	N38882		H.sapiens gene from PAC 106H8
222	AI142828		Homo sapiens adlican mRNA, complete cds

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223	AA028961		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ12150 fis, clone MAMMA1000422
224	AA933635		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ13154 fis, clone NT2RP3003427
225	AA523117	FLJ21504	Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ21504 fis, clone COL05662
226	AA555187		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22277 fis, clone HRC03740
227	AF035315		Homo sapiens clone 23664 and 23905 mRNA sequence
228	AA968840		Homo sapiens HSPC285 mRNA, partial cds
229	R55322		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp547K204 (from clone DKFZp547K204)
230	W55876		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp586A0424 (from clone DKFZp586A0424)
231	AA789332	VANGL1	ESTs, Moderately similar to KIAA1215 protein [H.sapiens]
232	AI310156		ESTs, Weakly similar to A4P_HUMAN INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN [H.sapiens]
233	C01335		ESTs, Weakly similar to FLDED [H.sapiens]
234	AI349804		ESTs, Weakly similar to IQGA_HUMAN RAS GTPASE- ACTIVATING-LIKE PROTEIN IQGAP1
235	AA683373		ESTs
236	H28960		ESTs
237	AA429665		ESTs
238	R17093		ESTs
239	AA806114		ESTs
240	AA707966		ESTs
241	D85376		ESTs
242	AA419568		ESTs
243	AA251355		ESTs.
244	W63676		ESTs
245	AA570186		ESTs
246	AI239432		ESTs
247	AI264318		ESTs
248	AA553741		ESTs
249	N70804		ESTs
250	R61891		ESTs
251	W01507		ESTs
252	AA587884		ESTs
253	AA830326		ESTs
254	AI240520		ESTs
255	AA453716		ESTs
256	AI199761		ESTs

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257	AI271678	ESTs
258	AA242941	ESTs
259	AI027791	ESTs

Table4 A list of down-regulated genes

PNC Assign ment	Accession No.	Symbol	Gene Name
260	D16294	ACAA2	acetyl-Coenzyme A acyltransferase 2 (mitochondrial 3-oxoacyl- Coenzyme A thiolase)
261	M12963	ADH1	alcohol dehydrogenase 1 (class I), alpha polypeptide
262	X04299	ADH3	alcohol dehydrogenase 3 (class I), gamma polypeptide
263	L22214	ADORA1	adenosine A1 receptor
264	U04241	AES	amino-terminal enhancer of split
265	AF044961	AKR1B11	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member B11
266	U05861	AKR1C1	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member C1
267	D26125	AKR1C4	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member C4
268	AI765873	ALDHI0	aldehyde dehydrogenase 10 (fatty aldehyde dehydrogenase)
269	X02747	ALDOB	aldolase B, fructose-bisphosphate
270	M18786	AMY1A	amylase, alpha 1A; salivary
271	M28443	AMY2A	amylase, alpha 2A; pancreatic
272	M22324	ANPEP	alanyl (membrane) aminopeptidase
273	Z11502	ANXA13	annexin A13
274	M82809	ANXA4	annexin A4
275	D00097	APCS	amyloid P component, serum
276	M30704	AREG	amphiregulin (schwannoma-derived growth factor)
277	AB007884	ARHGEF9	Cdc42 guanine exchange factor (GEF) 9
278	AI147612	ARL7	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 7
279	X83573	ARSE	arylsulfatase E (chondrodysplasia punctata 1)
280	L19871	ATF3	activating transcription factor 3
281	Y15724	ATP2A3	ATPase, Ca++ transporting, ubiquitous
282	AI091372	AXUD1	AXIN1 up-regulated
283	X83107	BMX	BMX non-receptor tyrosine kinase
284	AA468538	BRPF3	bromodomain and PHD finger containing, 3
285	U03274	BTD	biotinidase
286	D31716	BTEB1	basic transcription element binding protein 1
287	W45244	C3	complement component 3
288	J03037	CA2	carbonic anhydrase II

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289	U36448	CADPS	Ca2+-dependent activator protein for secretion
290	AI085802	CAV2	Caveolin 2
291	J02988	CD28	CD28 antigen (Tp44)
292	M55509	CES1	carboxylesterase 1 (monocyte/macrophage serine esterase 1)
293	U91543	CHD3	chromodomain helicase DNA binding protein 3
294	AA417345	CHP1	chord domain-containing protein 1
295	U62431	CHRNA2	cholinergic receptor, nicotinic, alpha polypeptide 2 (neuronal)
296	U89916	CLDN10	claudin 10
297	AA885961	CLDN2	Claudin 2
298	J02883	CLPS	colipase, pancreatic
299	M64722	CLU	clusterin
300	X67318	CPA1	carboxypeptidase A1 (pancreatic)
301	U19977	CPA2	carboxypeptidase A2 (pancreatic)
302	AA780301	CTSF	cathepsin F
303	T84490	CUGBP2	CUG triplet repeat, RNA-binding protein 2
304	M22865	CYB5	cytochrome b-5
305	Y00498	CYP2C8	cytochrome P450, subfamily IIC (mephenytoin 4-hydroxylase), polypeptide 8
306	J04813	CYP3A5	cytochrome P450, subfamily IIIA (niphedipine oxidase), polypeptide 5
307	D00408	CYP3A7	cytochrome P450, subfamily IIIA, polypeptide 7
308	AA316159	DC11	DC11 protein
309	AA640753	DDAH1	dimethylarginine dimethylaminohydrolase 1
310	X96484	DGCR6	DiGeorge syndrome critical region gene 6
311	W76197	DLC1	Deleted in liver cancer 1
312	X68277	DUSP1	dual specificity phosphatase 1
313	M62829	EGR1	early growth response 1
314	M16652	ELA1	elastase 1, pancreatic
315	AA845162	ELA3	elastase 3, pancreatic (protease E)
316	M81635	EPB72	erythrocyte membrane protein band 7.2 (stomatin)
317	M16967	F5	coagulation factor V (proaccelerin, labile factor)
318	AA573905	FCGBP	Fc fragment of IgG binding protein
319	AA033657	FGFR2	fibroblast growth factor receptor 2
320	U20391	FOLR1	folate receptor 1 (adult)
321	U50743	FXYD2	FXYD domain-containing ion transport regulator 2
322	M11321	GC	mRNA for group supecific component (GC)
323	Y15409	G6PT1	glucose-6-phosphatase, transport (glucose-6-phosphate) protein

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324	AA279817	GADD45B	growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta
325	L13720	GAS6	growth arrest-specific 6
326	S68805	GATM	glycine amidinotransferase (L-arginine:glycine amidinotransferase)
327	M24903	GGT1	gamma-glutamyltransferase 1
328	AW008481	GLUD1	glutamate dehydrogenase 1
329	T79836	GPS2	G protein pathway suppressor 2
330	D86962	GRB10	growth factor receptor-bound protein 10
331	L76687	GRB14	growth factor receptor-bound protein 14
332	D49742	HABP2	hyaluronan-binding protein 2
333	W37916	HCF-2	host cell factor 2
334	U63008	HGD	homogentisate 1,2-dioxygenase (homogentisate oxidase)
335	W95267	HIBADH	3-hydroxyisobutyrate dehydrogenase
336	K01505	HLA-DQA1	DC classⅡ histocompatibility antigen alpha-chain
337	M81141	HLA-DQB1	major histocompatibility complex, class II, DQ beta 1
338	<b>J0</b> 3048	$H\!PX$	hemopexin
339	T55714	HS3ST1	heparan sulfate (glucosamine) 3-O-sulfotransferase 1
340	AA206625	HS6ST	heparan sulfate 6-O-sulfotransferase
341	U14631	HSD11B2	hydroxysteroid (11-beta) dehydrogenase 2
342	M11717	HSPA1A	heat shock 70kD protein 1A
343	D49547	HSPF1	heat shock 40kD protein 1
344	AA885758	HTATIP	HIV Tat interactive protein, 60 kDa
345	M27492	IL1R1	interleukin 1 receptor, type I
346	AF014398	IMPA2	inositol(myo)(or 4)-monophosphatase 2
347	U84400	INPP5D	inositol polyphosphate-5-phosphatase, 145kD
348	AA345854	ITGA3	integrin, alpha 3 (antigen CD49C, alpha 3 subunit of VLA-3 receptor)
349	<b>AA84</b> 5511	KCNJ16	potassium inwardly-rectifying channel, subfamily J, member 16
350	AI025297	KLF7	Kruppel-like factor 7 (ubiquitous)
351	X79683	LAMB2	laminin, beta 2 (laminin S)
352	X77196	LAMP2	lysosomal-associated membrane protein 2
353	M87842	LGALS2	lectin, galactoside-binding, soluble, 2 (galectin 2)
354	AI160184	LOC51673	brain specific protein
355	AI093595	LOC55895	22kDa peroxisomal membrane protein-like
356	AA347844	LOC56908	Meis (mouse) homolog 2
357	AK025620	LOC56990	non-kinase Cdc42 effector protein SPEC2
358	AA461526	LRRFIP2	leucine rich repeat (in FLII) interacting protein 2
359	H17536	LSM4	U6 snRNA-associated Sm-like protein

360	AI092885	LSM6	Sm protein F
361	AA157731	MAP1ALC3	Microtubule-associated proteins 1A and 1B, light chain 3
362	X69078	MATIA	methionine adenosyltransferase 1 alpha
363	X63380	MEF2B	MADS box transcription enhancer factor 2, polypeptide B (myocyte enhancer factor 2B)
364	L08895	MEF2C	MADS box transcription enhancer factor 2, polypeptide C (myocyte enhancer factor 2C)
365	X56741	MEL	mel transforming oncogene (derived from cell line NK14)- RAB8 homolog
366	AI037890	MMP1	matrix metalloproteinase 1 (interstitial collagenase)
367	R59292	MS4A8B	Membrane-spanning 4-domains, subfamily A, member 8B
368	AL022315	MSE55	serum constituent protein
369	<b>D4944</b> 1	MSLN	mesothelin
370	M74178	MST1	macrophage stimulating 1
371	U35113	MTA1	metastasis associated 1
372	Y09788	MUC5B	mucin 5, subtype B, tracheobronchial
373	AI745345	MVP	major vault protein
374	X69090	MYOM1	myomesin 1 (skelemin) (185kD)
375	AA497062	NFIC	nuclear factor I/C (CCAAT-binding transcription factor)
376	AI309212	NLGN1	neuroligin 1
377	AJ005282	NPR2	natriuretic peptide receptor B/guanylate cyclase B (atrionatriuretic peptide receptor B)
378	AA340728	NR2F2	nuclear receptor subfamily 2, group F, member 2
379	L13740	NR4A1	nuclear receptor subfamily 4, group A, member 1
380	X75918	NR4A2	nuclear receptor subfamily 4, group A, member 2
381	AB002341	NRCAM	neuronal cell adhesion molecule
382	AA435678	P28	dynein, axonemal, light intermediate polypeptide
383	AA576089	p53DINP1	P53-inducible p53DINP1
384	L15533	PAP	pancreatitis-associated protein
385	T56982	PDE7A	phosphodiesterase 7A
386	C05229	PDK4	pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase, isoenzyme 4
387	N47861	PDP	pyruvate dehydrogenase phosphatase
388	AF012281	PDZK1	PDZ domain containing 1
389	AA220941	PHB	prohibitin
390	D38616	PHKA2	phosphorylase kinase, alpha 2 (liver)
391	L47738	PIR121	p53 inducible protein
392	X98654	PITPNM	phosphatidylinositol transfer protein, membrane-associated
393	W19216	PKIG	protein kinase (cAMP-dependent, catalytic) inhibitor gamma

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394	AF064594	<i>PLA2G6</i>	phospholipase A2, group VI (cytosolic, calcium-independent)
395	AF038440	PLD2	phospholipase D2
396	D87810	PMM1	phosphomannomutase 1
397	J05125	PNLIP	pancreatic lipase
398	Z11898	POU5F1	POU domain, class 5, transcription factor 1
399	AI343963	PP2135	PP2135 protein
400	U57961	13CDNA73	putative gene product
401	A1094447	PP5395	hypothetical protein PP5395
402	S74349	PPARA	peroxisome proliferative activated receptor, alpha
403	AB007851	PRPSAP2	phosphoribosyl pyrophosphate synthetase-associated protein 2
404	AA845165	PRSS1	protease, serine, 1 (trypsin 1)
405	D88378	PSMF1	proteasome (prosome, macropain) inhibitor subunit 1 (PI31)
406	U68142	RAB2L	RAB2, member RAS oncogene family-like
407	AI277086	RAGB	GTP-binding protein ragB
408	AA972852	RBP1	retinol-binding protein 1, cellular
409	X00129	RBP4	retinol-binding protein 4, interstitial
410	AA807607	RDGBB	retinal degeneration B beta
411	AA428540	REC8	Rec8p
412	M18963	REG1A	regenerating islet-derived 1 alpha (pancreatic stone protein, pancreatic thread protein)
413	AC004003	RIPK2	receptor-interacting serine-threonine kinase 2
414	AI341482	RNB6	RNB6
415	AW510670	RNF3	ring finger protein 3
416	U38894	ROR1	receptor tyrosine kinase-like orphan receptor 1
417	X65463	RXRB	retinoid X receptor, beta
418	U72355	SAFB	scaffold attachment factor B
419	AI338007	SCDGF-B	Spinal cord-derived growth factor-B
420	AA911283	SCMH1	sex comb on midleg homolog 1
421	U84487	SCYD1	small inducible cytokine subfamily D (Cys-X3-Cys), member 1 (fractalkine, neurotactin)
422	W73992	SDCCAG43	serologically defined colon cancer antigen 43
423	U28369	SEMA3B	sema domain, immunoglobulin domain (Ig), short basic domain, secreted, (semaphorin) 3B
424	U3 <b>8276</b>	SEMA3F	sema domain, immunoglobulin domain (Ig), short basic domain, secreted, (semaphorin) 3F
425	AI026695	SENP1	Sentrin/SUMO-specific protease
426	Z11793	SEPP1	selenoprotein P, plasma, 1

427	H89783	SERPINA4	serine (or cysteine) proteinase inhibitor, clade A (alpha antiproteinase, antitrypsin), member 4
428	J02943	SERPINA6	serine (or cysteine) proteinase inhibitor, clade A (alpha antiproteinase, antitrypsin), member 6
429	M13690	SERPING1	serine (or cysteine) proteinase inhibitor, clade G (C1 inhibitor), member 1
430	AF017988	SFRP5	secreted frizzled-related protein 5
431	N56912	SFTPC	surfactant, pulmonary-associated protein C
432	Y10032	SGK	serum/glucocorticoid regulated kinase
433	AI198522	SLC11A3	solute carrier family 11, member 3
434	U59299	SLC16A5	solute carrier family 16, member 5
435	AA243675	SLC1A1	solute carrier family 1, member 1
436	AA435777	SLC25A1	Solute carrier family 25 (mitochondrial carrier; citrate transporter), member 1
437	NM_000340	SLC2A2	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 2
438	M95548	SLC3A1	solute carrier family 3 (cystine, dibasic and neutral amino acid transporters, activator of cystine, dibasic and neutral amino acid transport), member 1
439	AF007216	SLC4A4	solute carrier family 4, sodium bicarbonate cotransporter, member 4
440	M24847	SLC5A1	solute carrier family 5 (sodium/glucose cotransporter), member 1
441	AA902273	SMARCD3	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, member 3
442	U41303	SNRPN	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein polypeptide N
443	AA604446	SPINK5	serine protease inhibitor, Kazal type, 5
444	J04765	SPP1	secreted phosphoprotein 1 (osteopontin, bone sialoprotein I, early T-lymphocyte activation 1)
445	L14865	SSTR5	somatostatin receptor 5
446	R60028	TAB1	transforming growth factor beta-activated kinase-binding protein 1
447	X58840	TCF2	transcription factor 2, hepatic; LF-B3; variant hepatic nuclear factor
448	J05068	TCN1	transcobalamin I (vitamin B12 binding protein, R binder family)
449	L15203	TFF3	trefoil factor 3 (intestinal)
450	D29992	TFPI2	tissue factor pathway inhibitor 2
451	AA403273	TLE1	transducin-like enhancer of split 1, homolog of Drosophila E(sp1)
452	U31449	TM4SF4	transmembrane 4 superfamily member 4
453	AA131918	TMEM3	transmembrane protein 3
454	U70321	TNFRSF14	tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 14 (herpesvirus entry mediator)
455	L21715	TNNI2	troponin I, skeletal, fast

456	AI091425	TONDU	TONDU
457	U54831	TOP2B	topoisomerase (DNA) II beta (180kD)
458	U44427	TPD52L1	tumor protein D52-like 1
459	M10605	TTR	transthyretin (prealbumin, amyloidosis type I)
460	AI090567	TUBB2	tubulin, beta, 2
461	L13852	UBE1L	ubiquitin-activating enzyme E1-like
462	X63359	UGT2B10	UDP glycosyltransferase 2 family, polypeptide B10
463	J05428	UGT2B7	UDP glycosyltransferase 2 family, polypeptide B7
464	AA446913	USP11	ubiquitin specific protease 11
465	L13288	VIPR1	vasoactive intestinal peptide receptor 1
466	D78298	VLCAD	very-long-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase
467	AA769424	VNN2	vanin 2
468	AF039022	XPOT	exportin, tRNA (nuclear export receptor for tRNAs)
469	D83407	ZAKI4	Down syndrome critical region gene 1-like 1
470	Z19002	ZNF145	zinc finger protein 145 (Kruppel-like, expressed in promyelocytic leukemia)
471	M58297	ZNF42	zinc finger protein 42 (myeloid-specific retinoic acid- responsive)
472	N24911	C11ORF2	chromosome 11 open reading frame2
473	AI186263	C21ORF11	chromosome 21 open reading frame 11
474	Y11392	C21ORF2	chromosome 21 open reading frame 2
475	H16793	C8ORF4	chromosome 8 open reading frame 4
476	AI160590	DKFZp434G 0522	hypothetical protein DKFZp434G0522
477	T65389	DKFZP434J 214	DKFZP434J214 protein
478	H61870	<i>DKFZP564F</i> 1123	DKFZP564F1123 protein
479	AI218000	DKFZP564K 1964	DKFZP564K1964 protein
480	AI306435	DKFZP586A 0522	DKFZP586A0522 protein
481	W05570	<i>DKFZP586B</i> 0621	DKFZP586B0621 protein
482	N92489	FLJ10103	hypothetical protein FLJ10103
483	AA933772	FLJ10252	hypothetical protein FLJ10252
484	AA452368	FLJ10582	hypothetical protein FLJ10582
485	AA481246	FLJ12287	hypothetical protein FLJ12287 similar to semaphorins
486	AI042204	FLJ12895	hypothetical protein FLJ12895
487	AI342612	FLJ20011	hypothetical protein FLJ20011
488	AA708532	FLJ20041	hypothetical protein FLJ20041

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489	AI016890	FLJ20542	hypothetical protein FLJ20542
490	AA593701	FLJ21817	hypothetical protein FLJ21817 similar to Rhoip2
491	NM_022493	FLJ21988	hypothetical protein FLJ21988
492	N30915	FLJ22649	hypothetical protein FLJ22649 similar to signal peptidase SPC22/23
493	AA650281	FLJ23153	Likely ortholog of mouse tumor necrosis-alpha-induced adipose- related protein
494	AA522448	FLJ23239	hypothetical protein FLJ23239
495	AA403120	HT014	HT014
496	D31884	KIAA0063	KIAA0063 gene product
497	D87465	KIAA0275	KIAA0275 gene product
498	AI190847	KIAA0397	KIAA0397 gene product
499	AB011115	KIAA0543	KIAA0543 protein
500	AA910738	KIAA0579	KIAA0579 protein
501	AA156717	KIAA0668	KIAA0668 protein
502	W56303	KIAA0802	KIAA0802 protein
503	AA127777	KIAA1071	KIAA1071 protein
504	AI148832	KIAA1209	KIAA1209 protein
505	AA573892	KIAA1359	KIAA1359 protein
506	N54300	KIAA1500	KIAA1500 protein
507	N36929	KIAA1954	KIAA1954 protein
508	AA477232	LOC56997	hypothetical protein, clone Telethon(Italy_B41)_Strait02270_FL142
509	AF001550	LOC57146	hypothetical protein from clone 24796
510	AA303231	LOC64744	hypothetical protein AL133206
511	AA044186		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ11410 fis, clone HEMBA1000852
512	D62873		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ12900 fis, clone NT2RP2004321
513	AA858162		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ13005 fis, clone NT2RP3000441
514	AA327291		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ13322 fis, clone OVARC1001713
515	AI096874		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ14115 fis, clone MAMMA1001760
516	H28758		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ20925 fis, clone ADSE00963
517	T04932		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ21545 fis, clone COL06195
518	AK025906		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22253 fis, clone HRC02763
519	AI344138		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22288 fis, clone HRC04157
520	AA206578		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22316 fis, clone HRC05262
521	R89624		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22386 fis, clone HRC07619
522	AA404225		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22418 fis, clone HRC08590
523	AI089485		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22479 fis, clone HRC10831

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524	AA505312		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22648 fis, clone HSI07329
525	R72460		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22807 fis, clone KAIA2887
526	AA019961		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ22811 fis, clone KAIA2944
527	N46856		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23091 fis, clone LNG07220
528	AA321321		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23091 fis, clone LNG07220
529	AI084531		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23093 fis, clone LNG07264
530	AA543086		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23270 fis, clone COL10309
531	AA741042		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23527 fis, clone LNG05966
532	AF009314		Homo sapiens clone TUA8 Cri-du-chat region mRNA
533	AA293837		Homo sapiens GKAP42 (FKSG21) mRNA, complete cds
534	AA195740		Homo sapiens mRNA full length insert cDNA clone EUROIMAGE 41832
535	AA829835		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp434M229 (from clone DKFZp434M229)
536	AA985007		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp564A026 (from clone DKFZp564A026)
537	AA938345		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp564N1116 (from clone DKFZp564N1116)
538	AA129758		Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp761K2024 (from clone DKFZp761K2024)
539	AI276126		Human DNA sequence from clone RP4-756G23 on chromosome 22q13.313.33
540	AI301241		ESTs, Highly similar to AF172268 1 Traf2 and NCK interacting kinase, splice variant 5
541	AI291118		ESTs, Highly similar to AF219140 1 gastric cancer-related protein GCYS-20 [H.sapiens]
542	AA143060		ESTs, Highly similar to I38945 melanoma ubiquitous mutated protein [H.sapiens]
543	AI304351		ESTs, Moderately similar to NFY-C [H.sapiens]
544	AA923049		ESTs, Weakly similar to cytokine receptor-like factor 2; cytokine receptor CRL2 precusor
545	AA604003		ESTs, Weakly similar to CTL1 protein [H.sapiens]
546	AA847242		ESTs, Weakly similar to G786_HUMAN PROTEIN GS3786 [H.sapiens]
547	AI274179		ESTs, Weakly similar to LIV protein [H.sapiens]
548	R87741		ESTs, Weakly similar to RAB8_HUMAN RAS-RELATED PROTEIN RAB-8 [H.sapiens]
549	AA465193		ESTs, Weakly similar to unnamed protein product [H.sapiens]
550	AI266124		ESTs, Weakly similar to unnamed protein product [H.sapiens]
551	AA777360	KIAA1002	ESTs
552	AA358397		ESTs

553	AA129817	ESTs
554	F06091	ESTs
555	H42099	ESTs
556	AI090386	ESTs
557	AA449335	ESTs
558	AI243456	ESTs
559	AI355928	ESTs
560	R45502	ESTs
561	AA630642	ESTs
562	AA781393	ESTs
563	AA528243	ESTs
564	AA430699	ESTs
565	AA528190	ESTs
566	AA369905	ESTs
567	AI201894	ESTs
568	AI342469	ESTs
569	AA313152	ESTs
570	AI299327	ESTs
571	AI341332	ESTs
572	N33189	ESTs
573	W37776	ESTs
574	AI023557	ESTs
575	AA418448	ESTs
576	AA458558	ESTs
577	H52704	ESTs
578	AA142875	ESTs
579	AI366443	ESTs
580	H96559	ESTs
581	H98777	ESTs
582	AA989233	ESTs
583	AI032354	ESTs
584	W93000	ESTs
585	AA446184	ESTs
586	AI291207	ESTs
587	AA699359	ESTs
588	AA447217	ESTs
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Table 5 Representative up-regulated genes with known function in pancreatic cancers

PNC Assignment	Accession No.	Symbol	Gene Name				
genes involved in signal transduction pathway							
12	AA916826	APP	amyloid beta (A4) precursor protein (protease nexin-II, Alzheimer disease)				
13	L20688	ARHGDIB	Rho GDP dissociation inhibitor (GDI) beta				
59	L36645	EPHA4	EphA4				
69	J03260	GNAZ	guanine nucleotide binding protein (G protein), alpha z polypeptide				
100	AA574178	KAI1	Kangai 1				
119	AA458825	MTIF2	mitochondrial translational initiation factor 2				
130	M80482	PACE4	paired basic amino acid cleaving system 4				
135	M16750	PIM1	pim oncogene				
151	X62006	PTB	polypyrimidine tract binding protein (heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein I)				
154	AA346311	RAI3	retinoic acid induced 3				
156	S45545	RCV1	recoverin				
163	D38583	S100A11	S100 calcium-binding protein A11 (calgizzarin)				
164	AA308062	S100P	S100 calcium-binding protein P				
169	AF029082	SFN	stratifin				
177	J03040	SPARC	secreted protein, acidic, cysteine-rich (osteonectin)				

transcriptional factors				
8	AF047002	ALY	transcriptional coactivator	
44	AA905901	CRSP3	cofactor required for Sp1 transcriptional activation, subunit 3 (130kD)	
63	L16783	FOXM1	forkhead box M1	
66	AA418167	GATA3	GATA-binding protein 3	
80	X92518	HMGIC	high-mobility group (nonhistone chromosomal) protein isoform I-C	
83	M16937	HOXB7	homeo box B7	
108	U24576	LMO4	LIM domain only 4	
120	X13293	MYBL2	v-myb avian myeloblastosis viral oncogene homolog-like 2	
155	X64652	RBMS1	RNA binding motif, single stranded interacting protein 1	
180	M81601	TCEA1	transcription elongation factor A (SII), 1	
cell adhesio	n and cytoskeleto	on		
14	AF006086	ARPC3	actin related protein 2/3 complex, subunit 3 (21 kD)	
28	AA557142	CD2AP	CD2-associated protein	
32	X63629	CDH3	cadherin 3, type 1, P-cadherin (placental)	
38	AA977821	COL1A1	collagen, type I, alpha 1	
39	J03464	COL1A2	collagen, type I, alpha 2	
40	X14420	COL3A1	collagen, type III, alpha 1 (Ehlers-Danlos syndrome type IV, autosomal dominant)	
41	AI140851	COL6A1	collagen, type VI, alpha 1	
46	U16306	CSPG2	chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 2 (versican)	
62	X02761	FN1	fibronectin 1	
98	M15395	ITGB2	integrin, beta 2 (antigen CD18 (p95), lymphocyte function- associated antigen 1; macrophage antigen 1 (mac) beta subunit)	
104	J00269	KRT6A	keratin 6A	
131	L11370	PCDHI	protocadherin 1 (cadherin-like 1)	
136	AA234962	PKP3	plakophilin 3	
cell cycle				
35	X54941	CKS1	CDC28 protein kinase 1	
63	L16783	FOXM1	forkhead box M1	
102	U63743	KNSL6	kinesin-like 6 (mitotic centromere-associated kinesin)	
143	AF044588	PRC1	protein regulator of cytokinesis 1	
184	K02581	TK1	thymidine kinase 1, soluble	

Comparison of clinicopathological parameters with the expression profiles indicated that altered expression of 76 genes was associated with lymph-node metastasis and

that of 168 genes with liver metastasis. In addition, expression levels of 84 genes were related to the recurrence of disease. These genome-wide expression profiles should provide useful information for finding candidate genes whose products might serve as specific tumor markers and/or as molecular targets for treatment of patients with pancreatic cancer.

Materials and Methods

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Identification of genes responsible for clinicopathological data

Genes associated with clinicopathological features, such as lymph-node-positive (r) and –negative (n), liver metastasis-positive (r) and –negative (n), and early-recurrence (r) and late-recurrence (n), were chosen according to the these two criteria; (i) signal intensities are higher than the cut-off value in at least 80% of the cases; (ii) | Med<sub>r</sub> - Med<sub>n</sub> |>=0.5, where Med indicates the median derived from log-transformed relative expression ratios in two groups. Genes were selected as candidates when they met the criteria with a permutation p-value of smaller than 0.05 in each clinicopathological status.

First, we applied a random permutation test to identify genes that were expressed differently in following two groups. The mean ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation ( $\sigma$ ) were calculated from the log-transformed relative expression ratios of each gene in node-positive (r) and node-negative (n) cases, liver-metastasis-positive (r) and –negative (n), and early-recurrence (r) and late-recurrence (n), respectively. A discrimination score (DS) for each gene was defined as follows:

 $DS = (\mu_r - \mu_n) / (\sigma_r + \sigma_n)$ 

We carried out permutation tests to estimate the ability of individual genes to distinguish with two groups; samples were randomly permutated between the two classes 10,000 times. Since the DS dataset of each gene showed a normal distribution, we calculated a P value for the user-defined grouping (Golub et al., 1999). For this analysis, we applied the expression data of 13 cases consisting of 4 lymph-node-positive and 9 negative cases, those of 11 cases consisting of 5 liver metastasis-positive and 6 negative cases, and those of 13 cases consisting of 7 early-recurrent cases and 6 late-recurrent cases. For these analyses were performed by using only StageIV cases according to UICC TNM classification.

Calculation of prediction score

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We further calculated the prediction score of recurrence according to procedures described previously (Golub et al., 1999). Each gene  $(g_i)$  votes for either early-recurrent cases or late-recurrent cases depending on whether the expression level  $(x_i)$  in the sample is closer to the mean expression level of early-recurrent cases or late-recurrent cases in reference samples. The magnitude of the vote  $(v_i)$  reflects the deviation of the expression level in the sample from the average of the two classes:

$$V_i = |x_i - (\mu_r + \mu_n)/2|$$

We summed the votes to obtain total votes for the early-recurrent cases  $(V_r)$  and late-recurrent cases  $(V_n)$ , and calculated PS values as follows:

$$PS = ((V_r - V_n) / (V_r + V_n)) \times 100$$

reflecting the margin of victory in the direction of either early-recurrent cases or late-recurrent cases. PS values range from -100 to 100; a higher absolute value of PS reflects a stronger prediction.

Evaluation of classification and leave-one-out test

We calculated the classification score (CS) by using the prediction score of early-recurrent ( $PS_r$ ) and late-recurrent cases ( $PS_n$ ) in each gene set, as follows:

$$CS = (\mu_{PSr} - \mu_{PSn}) / (\sigma_{PSr} + \sigma_{PSn})$$

A larger value of CS indicates better separation of the two groups by the predictive-scoring system. For the leave-one-out test, one sample is withheld, the permutation p-value and mean expression levels are calculated using remaining samples, and the class of the withheld sample is subsequently evaluated by calculating its prediction score. We repeated this procedure for each of the 13 samples.

#### Results

25 Identification of genes correlated with clinicopathological features Lymph-node metastasis and liver metastasis

In order to investigate relations between gene expression profiles and clinicopathological parameters, we searched genes that were possibly associated with lymphnode metastasis and liver metastasis that are important determining factors of patients' prognosis. We first examined the expression profiles and the status of lymph-node metastasis using nine lymph-node-positive and four node-negative cases, and identified 76 genes that

were associated with lymph node status by a random permutation (p-value <0.05) (Table 6). Of those, 35 genes were relatively up-regulated, and 41 genes were down-regulated in node-positive tumors (Figure 3) comparing with node-negative tumors as control. In addition, we compared expression profiles of 5 cases with predominant recurrence in liver with those of 6 cases with metastasis to other sites (local, peritoneal and chest). We identified 168 genes that showed altered expression patterns uniquely in cases that had liver metastasis (Table 7), and 60 of them were relatively up-regulated in tumors (Figure 4). These genes included some key factors which had been proposed to play crucial roles in tumor cell proliferation, invasion and metastasis: integrin, beta 4 (*ITGB4*) (Shaw et al., 1997), colony stimulating factor 1 (*CSF1*) (Chambers et al., 1997), basigin (*BSG*) (Guo et al., 2000), and kinesin-like 6 (*KNSL6*) (Scanlan MJ et al., 2002). Hierarchical clustering analysis using these identified gene sets was also able to clearly classify the groups with regard to lymph node status or those with liver metastasis, respectively (Figure 3, 4).

#### Prognosis

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To further investigate genes that might be associated with prognosis, we compared expression profiles of 7 cases who had recurrence within 12 months after surgery (disease free interval <12 months; median 6.4 months) with those of 6 cases who had >12 months of disease free interval (median 17.0 months). As shown in Figure 5A, we identified 84 genes that were expressed differently between these two groups using a random permutation method (p< 0.05).

In attempt on establishment of a predictive scoring system using gene expression pattern for recurrence after surgery, we rank-ordered above prognostic 84 candidate genes on the basis of the magnitude of their permutation p-values (Table 8) and calculated the prediction score by the leave-one-out test for cross-validation using top 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80 and 84 genes on the rank-ordered list. To determine the number of discriminating genes giving the best separation of the two groups, we calculated a classification score (CS) for each gene set (Figure 5B). As show in Figure 5C, the best separation was obtained when we used 30 genes consisting of top 17 genes of up-regulated in late recurrence cases genes and top 13 genes of up-regulated in early recurrence cases genes in our candidate list for scores calculation.

#### Discussion

Pancreatic cancer is characterized by very aggressive progression and rapid recurrence after surgical treatment. It has been reported that the cumulative 1-, 3-, and 5year disease free survival rate were 66%, 7%, and 3% respectively, and median disease-free survival time was the only 8 months (Sperti et al., 1997). Most common recurrent sites are the local region and the liver, and distant metastases appear in the peritoneal cavity. However, since the relationships between tumor characteristics and the recurrence patterns are still little understood, we compared the expression profiles to lymph-node status or liver metastasis. We identified 76 genes that might be associated with lymph-node status, and 168 genes with liver metastasis. These genes included some key molecules whose possible roles in tumor progression had been reported previously; ITGB4 and BSG were up-regulated in lymph-node positive cases, and KNSL6 and KRT8 were relatively up-regulated in liver metastasis cases. ITGB4 was reported to promote carcinoma invasion through a preferential and localized targeting of phosphoinositide-3 OH kinase activity (Shaw et al., 1997), supporting the possible involvement of ITGB4 in lymph-node metastasis. KNSL6, a member of the kinesin family of motor proteins, is known to be involved in chromosome segregation during mitosis (Maney T et al., 1998). The transcript of KNSL6 was highly expressed in colon cancer, and was identified as cancer antigens associated with a cancer-related serum IgG response (Scanlan MJ et al., 2002). Thus, this antigen could be a biological marker for diagnosis and for monitoring of recurrence site.

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In addition, we identified 84 genes possibly associated with tumor recurrence of pancreatic cancers. Expression levels of a subset of 30 genes selected from these 84 genes would be useful for predicting the disease free interval after surgical operation (Figure 5). These results might be useful for selection of patients for active adjuvant therapy although larger-scale study will be required to further evaluate our prediction system.

Table6 A list of 76 Candidate Genes for lymph-node metastasis

PNC Assign ment	GenBank ID	Symbol	Gene Name						
UP-REGULATED GENES									
606	D16480	HADHA	hydroxyacy dehydrogenase, subunitA						
607	AF015767	BRE	brain and reproductive organ-expressed (TNFRSF1A modulator)						
608	D49742	HABP2	hyaluronan-binding protein 2						
609	M37400	GOT1	glutamic-oxaloacetic transaminase 1						
610	Z11502	ANXA13	annexin A13						
611	D32050	AARS	alanyl-tRNA synthetase						
612	U42376	LY6E	lymphocyte antigen 6 complex, locus E						

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613	U68019	MADH3	MAD (mothers against decapentaplegic, Drosophila) homolog 3
614	AI248620	AP3D1	adaptor-related protein complex 3, delta 1 subunit
615	U24183	PFKM	phosphofructokinase, muscle
616	AA193416	~~~~~~~	ESTs
617	AA911109	FLJ20254	hypothetical protein FLJ20254
618	AF070616	HPCAL1	hippocalcin-like 1
619	AI143127		Dynactin 4
620	AA412250	PYGB	phosphorylase, glycogen; brain
621	D45131	BSG	basigin
622	AB010427	WDR1	WD repeat domain 1
623	H20386	MYG1	MYG1 protein
624	AA371593	GCN1L1	GCN1 (general control of amino-acid synthesis 1, yeast)-like 1
625	L31581	CCR7	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor 7
626	AA922357		DKFZp586A0618
627	U07424	FARSL	phenylalanine-tRNA synthetase-like
628	AI248327		FLJ22233
629	AF055022	DKFZP727 M231	DKFZP727M231 protein
630	M37435	CSF1	colony stimulating factor 1 (macrophage)
631	U34683	GSS	glutathione synthetase
632	L41351	PRSS8	protease, serine, 8 (prostasin)
633	X52186	ITGB4	integrin, beta 4
634	R52161		DKFZp434A2410
635	U23028	EIF2B5	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2B, subunit 5 (epsilon, 82kD)
636	AI336230	RPS8	ribosomal protein S8
637	AI268861		EST
638	U73036	IRF7	interferon regulatory factor 7
639	AI097058		FLJ23538
640	L36151	PIK4CA	phosphatidylinositol 4-kinase, catalytic, alpha polypeptide
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641	AA747290	RPS15A	ribosomal protein S15a
642	AA641744	RPA2	replication protein A2 (32kD)
643	AI188196	USP22	ubiquitin specific protease 22
644	AI222007		ESTs
645	AA192445	TMEPAI	transmembrane, prostate androgen induced RNA
646	AW069055	FLJ10773	Likely ortholog of mouse NPC derived proline rich protein 1
647	AI365733		ESTs
648	AF017418	MEIS2	Meis (mouse) homolog 2
649	AF024714	AIM2	absent in melanoma 2
650	AU155489	MMP7	matrix metalloproteinase 7 (matrilysin, uterine)
651	AW779142	HUMAGCG B	chromosome 3p21.1 gene sequence
652	AA487669	GSTM1	glutathione S-transferase M1
653	AA601564	DLG5	discs, large (Drosophila) homolog 5
654	AI042204	FLJ12895	hypothetical protein FLJ12895
655	D14662	<i>KIAA0106</i>	anti-oxidant protein 2
656	BF059178	NONO	non-POU-domain-containing, octamer-binding
657	U70063	ASAH	N-acylsphingosine amidohydrolase (acid ceramidase)
658	AA091553	UBE2H	ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2H (homologous to yeast UBC8)
659	L12350	THBS2	thrombospondin 2
660	AA324335	ERF.	Ets2 repressor factor

661	AI626007	NTRK1	neurotrophic tyrosine kinase, receptor, type 1
662	AI261382	SH120	putative G-protein coupled receptor
663	AF046024	UBE1C	ubiquitin-activating enzyme E1C (homologous to yeast UBA3)
664	AI299911	PPP3CA	protein phosphatase 3 (formerly 2B), catalytic subunit, alpha isoform
665	X07979	ITGB1	integrin, beta 1
666	W45244	C3	complement component 3
667	AI245516		EST
668	AA907519	C3ORF4	chromosome 3 open reading frame 4
669	D42041	KIAA0088	KIAA0088 protein
670	AI300002	CCNI	cyclin I
<b>67</b> 1	AI338165	HEF1	enhancer of filamentation 1 (cas-like docking; Crk-associated substrate related)
672	AI312689	HE1	epididymal secretory protein (19.5kD)
673	NM_00607 7	CBARA1	calcium binding atopy-related autoantigen 1
674	AF131847	MRG15	MORF-related gene 15
675	AA676585	NPM1	nucleophosmin (nucleolar phosphoprotein B23, numatrin)
676	U85658	TFAP2C	transcription factor AP-2 gamma (activating enhancer-binding protein 2 gamma)
677	AB011090	<i>KIAA0518</i>	Max-interacting protein
678	U93867	RPC62	polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) (62kD)
679	Z11531	EEF1G	eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 gamma
680	AA676322	MTF1	metal-regulatory transcription factor 1
681	AI339006		DKFZp586L1121

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A 1	PNC Assign ment	GenBank ID	Symbol	Gene Name					
U.	P-REG	<b>GULATED GE</b>	ENES						
	682	U63743	KNSL6	kinesin-like 6 (mitotic centromere-associated kinesin)					
	683	U12707	WAS	Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome (eczema-thrombocytopenia)					
	684	AA904028	PAPPA	pregnancy-associated plasma protein A					
	685	T69711		EST					
	686	AI338282	TIGA1	Homo sapiens mRNA; cDNA DKFZp566L203 (from clone DKFZp566L203)					
	687	AA843756	ID2	inhibitor of DNA binding 2, dominant negative helix-loop-helix protein					
	688	AF076483	PGLYRP	peptidoglycan recognition protein					
	689	AA447852	PC326	PC326 protein					
	690	L13939	AP1B1	adaptor-related protein complex 1, beta 1 subunit					
	691	AI344213	CCS	copper chaperone for superoxide dismutase					
	692	X74929	KRT8	keratin 8					
	693	U92459	GRM8	glutamate receptor, metabotropic 8					
	694	AA078295		ESTs					
	695	AA084871	YKT6	SNARE protein					
	696	M26252	PKM2	pyruvate kinase, muscle					
	697	AI280555	<i>KIAA0860</i>	KIAA0860 protein					
	698	U09278	FAP	fibroblast activation protein, alpha					
	699	AA989386		EST					

700	U01184	FLII	flightless I (Drosophila) homolog					
701	NM_0164 01	HSPC138	hypothetical protein					
702	AW24510 1	E2IG3	putative nucleotide binding protein, estradiol-induced					
703	U47025	PYGB	phosphorylase, glycogen; brain					
704	Z21507	EEF1D	eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 delta					
705	U38320	<i>MMP19</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 19					
706	AA233644	PPP1CC	protein phosphatase 1, catalytic subunit, gamma isoform					
707	L40401	ZAP128	peroxisomal long-chain acyl-coA thioesterase; putative protein					
708	AI365683		Homo sapiens PAC clone RP4-751H13 from 7q35-qter					
709	AF039690	<i>SDCCAG8</i>	serologically defined colon cancer antigen 8					
710	L19067	RELA	v-rel avian reticuloendotheliosis viral oncogene homolog A					
711	U48734	ACTN4	actinin, alpha 4					
712	M22324	ANPEP	alanyl (membrane) aminopeptidase					
713	AA921921	<i>KIAA0414</i>	KIAA0414 protein					
714	X97630	EMK1	ELKL motif kinase					
715	AJ002308	SYNGR2	synaptogyrin 2					
716	AA447019	MAN1B1	mannosidase, alpha, class 1B, member 1					
717	M98252	PLOD	procollagen-lysine, 2-oxoglutarate 5-dioxygenase					
718	H48649	FGG	fibrinogen, gamma polypeptide					
719	AI139231	FBL	fibrillarin					
720	AA249454		ESTs, Weakly similar to KIAA0227 [H.sapiens]					
721	U89278	EDR2	early development regulator 2 (homolog of polyhomeotic 2)					
722	M24398	PTMS	parathymosin					
723	L41668	GALE	galactose-4-epimerase, UDP-					
724	D78298	VLCAD	very-long-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase					
725	X89602	HSRTSBET A	rTS beta protein					
726	M91029	AMPD2	adenosine monophosphate deaminase 2 (isoform L)					
727	X73478	<i>PPP2R4</i>	protein phosphatase 2A, regulatory subunit B' (PR 53)					
728	AI189477	IDH2	isocitrate dehydrogenase 2 (NADP+), mitochondrial					
729	D30612	ZNF282	zinc finger protein 282					
730	AA506972	<i>KIAA0668</i>	KIAA0668 protein					
731	AA404724	<i>GPRK7</i>	G protein-coupled receptor kinase 7					
732	AB001451	SLI	neuronal Shc adaptor homolog					
733	AL120683	LASS2	LAG1 longevity assurance homolog 2 (S. cerevisiae)					
734	H20386	MYG1	MYG1 protein					
735	AA477862	KIAA0974	KIAA0974 protein					
736	AF075590	BZRP	benzodiazapine receptor (peripheral)					
737	AA748421	TFR2	transferrin receptor 2					
738	AA639771	<i>MMP12</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 12 (macrophage elastase)					
739	AI218495		ESTs, Moderately similar to integral inner nuclear membrane protein MAN1					
740	N80334	<i>DKFZP586</i> <i>O0223</i>	hypothetical protein					
741	AA847660	HEXA	hexosaminidase A (alpha polypeptide)					
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742	S74678	HNRPK	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein K					
743	D56784	DEK	DEK oncogene (DNA binding)					
744	U31383	GNG10	guanine nucleotide binding protein 10					
745	H06970	STK24	serine/threonine kinase 24 (Ste20, yeast homolog)					

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746	AF038954	ATP6J	ATPase, H+ transporting, lysosomal (vacuolar proton pump), member J						
747	W19984	DREV1	CGI-81 protein						
748	AA282650	SAC1	Suppressor of actin 1						
749	U16738	RPL14	ribosomal protein L14						
750	AA614311	VCP	valosin-containing protein						
751	AF006088	ARPC5	actin related protein 2/3 complex, subunit 5 (16 kD)						
752	AF007871	DYT1	dystonia 1, torsion (autosomal dominant; torsin A)						
753	D21090	RAD23B	RAD23 (S. cerevisiae) homolog B						
754	AA910279	STAU	staufen (Drosophila, RNA-binding protein)						
755	AA226073	ITM2C	integral membrane protein 2C						
756	AA583455	RNF7	ring finger protein 7						
757	AA731151	KIAA1085	KIAA1085 protein						
758	U14575	PPP1R8	protein phosphatase 1, regulatory (inhibitor) subunit 8						
759	M81637	GCL	grancalcin						
760	L37368	RNPS1	RNA-binding protein S1, serine-rich domain						
761	AK000403	FLJ20396	hypothetical protein FLJ20396						
761 762	D13315	GLO1	glyoxalase I						
762	U66818	UBE2I	ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2I (homologous to yeast UBC9)						
763 764	X56351	ALASI	aminolevulinate, delta-, synthase 1						
764 765	L08424	ASCL1	achaete-scute complex (Drosophila) homolog-like 1						
765 766	X15187	ASCL1 TRA1	tumor rejection antigen (gp96) 1						
760 767	U33286	CSE1L	chromosome segregation 1 (yeast homolog)-like						
768	AA747290	RPS15A	ribosomal protein S15a						
769	AI148832	KIAA1209	KIAA1209 protein						
	S65738	ADF	destrin (actin depolymerizing factor)						
770	X53586	ITGA6	integrin, alpha 6						
771	U31906	GOLGA4	golgi autoantigen, golgin subfamily a, 4						
772	AA664213	DKC1	dyskeratosis congenita 1, dyskerin						
773	AA004213	DKCI	enhancer of filamentation 1 (cas-like docking; Crk-associated						
774	AI338165	HEF1	substrate related)						
775	W74416	LOC51126	N-terminal acetyltransferase complex ard1subunit						
776	AI125978	SNX2	sorting nexin 2						
777	H96478		EST						
778	U46570	TTC1	tetratricopeptide repeat domain 1						
779	U21242	GTF2A2	general transcription factor IIA, 2 (12kD subunit)						
780	W95089	HSPC033	HSPC033 protein						
781	D55654	MDH1	malate dehydrogenase 1, NAD (soluble)						
782	AF072860	PRKRA	protein kinase, interferon-inducible double stranded RNA dependent activator						
783	AF042081	SH3BGRL	SH3 domain binding glutamic acid-rich protein like						
784	D63881	KIAA0160	KIAA0160 protein						
	A A 1057740		Homo sapiens mRNA full length insert cDNA clone						
785	AA195740		EUROIMAGE 41832						
786	M36341	ARF4	ADP-ribosylation factor 4						
787	C06051	JAK1	Janus kinase 1 (a protein tyrosine kinase)						
788	D28473	<i>LARS</i>	isoleucine-tRNA synthetase						
789	R23830		ESTs						
790	U51166	TDG	thymine-DNA glycosylase						
791	AA128470	DSP	desmoplakin (DPI, DPII)						
792	M77698	<i>YY1</i>	YY1 transcription factor						
793	AI272932	BAG5	BCL2-associated athanogene 5						

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794	U45879	BIRC2	baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 2
795	Z35491	BAG1	BCL2-associated athanogene
796	AF016507	CTBP2	C-terminal binding protein 2
797	X89478	HRB	HIV Rev binding protein
798	X06323	MRPL3	mitochondrial ribosomal protein L3
799	M29065	HNRPA2B1	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1
800	AA431846	LOC51187	60S ribosomal protein L30 isolog
801	E02628		polypeptide chain elongation factor 1 alpha
802	AI349804		EST
803	X99584	SMT3H1	SMT3 (suppressor of mif two 3, yeast) homolog 1
804	D13630	KIAA0005	KIAA0005 gene product
805	U24223	PCBP1	poly(rC)-binding protein 1
806	AA315729		FLJ23197
807	AA401318	DKFZP566	DKFZP566D193 protein
		D193	•
808	AA524350	LOC51719	MO25 protein
809	AB004857	SLC11A2	solute carrier family 11, member 2
810	AA379042	PUM2	Pumilio (Drosophila) homolog 2
811	AW77914 2	HUMAGCG B	chromosome 3p21.1 gene sequence
812	R39044		Homo sapiens clone 25194 mRNA sequence
813	M58458	RPS4X	ribosomal protein S4, X-linked
814	H89110		ESTs .
815	U47077	PRKDC	protein kinase, DNA-activated, catalytic polypeptide
816	AA236252	ASH2L	ash2 (absent, small, or homeotic, Drosophila, homolog)-like
817	D50683	TGFBR2	transforming growth factor, beta receptor II (70-80kD)
818	M61199	SSFA2	sperm specific antigen 2
819	U56637	CAPZA1	capping protein (actin filament) muscle Z-line, alpha 1
820	AA514818	<i>KIAA0068</i>	KIAA0068 protein
821	N45298	ARHGEF12	Rho guanine exchange factor (GEF) 12
822	X76104	DAPK1	death-associated protein kinase 1
823	D14812	<i>KIAA0026</i>	MORF-related gene X
824	AA357508		Homo sapiens clone 24711 mRNA sequence
825	U96915	SAP18	sin3-associated polypeptide, 18kD
826	D10522	MACS	myristoylated alanine-rich protein kinase C substrate (MARCKS, 80K-L)
827	N46856		Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23091 fis, clone LNG07220
828	D26125	AKR1C4	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member C4
829	AI085802	CAV2	Caveolin 2
830	AI289407	ZNF207	zinc finger protein 207
831	U54831	TOP2B	topoisomerase (DNA) II beta (180kD)
832	AA281115	UBQLNI	ubiquilin 1
833	N41902	CLTH	Clathrin assembly lymphoid-myeloid leukemia gene
834	AA432312	TSPYL	TSPY-like
835	AF006516	SSH3BP1	spectrin SH3 domain binding protein 1
836	AA706503	EEF1A1	eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 alpha 1
837	N95414	221 1111	ESTs
838	M20472	CLTA	clathrin, light polypeptide (Lca)
839	AI078833	TAX1BP1	Tax1 (human T-cell leukemia virus type I) binding protein 1
840	U09953	RPL9	ribosomal protein L9
841	U44772	PPT1	palmitoyl-protein thioesterase 1
842	AA973853	1111	Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ20532 fis, clone KAT10877
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843	U81504	AP3B1	adaptor-related protein complex 3, beta 1 subunit
844	AA634090	HNRPA1	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A1
845	U83463	SDCBP	syndecan binding protein (syntenin)
846	AI092703	FBXW1B	f-box and WD-40 domain protein 1B
847	AF052113	Rab14	GTPase Rab14
848	AF007216	SLC4A4	solute carrier family 4, sodium bicarbonate cotransporter, member 4
849	AA809819	CREG	cellular repressor of E1A-stimulated genes

Table8 A list of 84 Candidate Genes for prognosis

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AF049884   ARGBP2   Arg/Abl-interacting protein ArgBP2								
NM			ARGRP2	Arg/Abl-interacting protein ArgBP2				
Stock								
AW15720   AW15720   CAT   lecithin-cholesterol acyltransferase   3	851	-	CBARA1					
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855         X53777         RPL17         ribosomal protein L17           856         U16798         ATP1A1         ATPase, Na+/K+ transporting, alpha 1 polypeptide           857         X76013         QARS         glutaminyl-tRNA synthetase           858         AF075590         BZRP         benzodiazapine receptor (peripheral)           859         L38995         TUFM         Tu translation elongation factor, mitochondrial           860         H89783         SERPINA4         serine (or cysteine) proteinase inhibitor, clade A, member 4           861         D83782         SCAP         SREBP CLEAVAGE-ACTIVATING PROTEIN           861         M5126         HKI         hexokinase 1           862         M5126         HKI         hexokinase 1           863         AA936173         RPS11         ribosomal protein S11           864         AA488766         SYNGR2         synaptogyrin 2           865         M60922         FLOT2         flotillin 2           866         D26600         PSMB4         dystroglycan 1 (dystrophin-associated glycoprotein 1)           867         L19711         DAG1         dystroglycan 1 (dystrophin-associated glycoprotein 1)           868         AI148194         pM5         protein phosphatase 3 (formerly 2B), c	853		LCAT	lecithin-cholesterol acyltransferase				
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885	AA922716	PRKACB	protein kinase, cAMP-dependent, catalytic, beta					
886	AA845165	PRSS1	protease, serine, 1 (trypsin 1)					
887	AA877534	GPRC5C	6 protein-coupled receptor, family C, group 5, member C					
888	C01335	•	STs, Weakly similar to FLDED [H.sapiens]					
889	Z26876	RPL38	ribosomal protein L38					
890	AI080640	AGR2	anterior gradient 2 (Xenepus laevis) homolog					
891	X04588	TPM3	2.5kb mRNA for cytoskeletal tropomyosin TM30					
892	D30949		Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ12750 fis, clone NT2RP2001168,					
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895	AI340331	HT010	uncharacterized hypothalamus protein HT010					
896	AA459167	NPD002	NPD002 protein					
897	AI014395	YME1L1	YME1 (S.cerevisiae)-like 1					
898	M94083	CCT6A	chaperonin containing TCP1, subunit 6A (zeta 1)					
899	M22382	HSPD1	heat shock 60kD protein 1 (chaperonin)					
900	AA150867	TIMM9	translocase of inner mitochondrial membrane 9 (yeast) homolog					
901	L76687	GRB14	growth factor receptor-bound protein 14					
902	T70782	FLJ10803	hypothetical protein FLJ10803					
903	AI018632	LAMP1	lysosomal-associated membrane protein 1					
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905	AI075048	CTSB	cathepsin B					
906	AL031668	RALY	RNA-binding protein (autoantigenic)					
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908	U51586	SIAHBP1	siah binding protein 1					
909	AF004430	TPD52L2	tumor protein D52-like 2					
910	AI279562	<i>KIAA0469</i>	KIAA0469 gene product					
911	M11717	<i>HSPA1A</i>	heat shock 70kD protein 1A					
912	AF015767	BRE	brain and reproductive organ-expressed (TNFRSF1A					
			modulator)					
913	X06323	MRPL3	mitochondrial ribosomal protein L3					
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915	W24533	GRB10	growth factor receptor-bound protein 10					
916	AA504081	CSH2	chorionic somatomammotropin hormone 2					
917	AA778572	HSPC164	hypothetical protein					
918	D11999	GLS	glutaminase					
919	D32050	AARS	alanyl-tRNA synthetase					
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921	R64726	TTT 4 D.C.	Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23591 fis, clone LNG14729					
922	M61715	WARS	tryptophanyl-tRNA synthetase					
923	AI090753	SHMT2	serine hydroxymethyltransferase 2 (mitochondrial)					
924	AI289991	<i>DKFZP761C</i> 169	hypothetical protein DKFZp761C169					
925	AA345061	<i>KIAA0903</i>	KIAA0903 protein					
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929	AI075943	SENP2	sentrin-specific protease
930	D87989	UGTREL1	UDP-galactose transporter related
931	D86956	HSP105B	heat shock 105kD
932	L13740	NR4A1	nuclear receptor subfamily 4, group A, member 1
933	AA320379	POH1	26S proteasome-associated pad1 homolog

## **Industrial Applicability**

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The gene-expression analysis of pancreatic cancer described herein, obtained through a combination of laser-capture dissection and genome-wide cDNA microarray, has identified specific genes as targets for cancer prevention and therapy. Based on the expression of a subset of these differentially expressed genes, the present invention provides a molecular diagnostic markers for identifying or detecting pancreatic cancer.

The methods described herein are also useful in the identification of additional molecular targets for prevention, diagnosis and treatment of pancreatic cancer. The data reported herein add to a comprehensive understanding of pancreatic cancer, facilitate development of novel diagnostic strategies, and provide clues for identification of molecular targets for therapeutic drugs and preventative agents. Such information contributes to a more profound understanding of pancreatic tumorigenesis, and provide indicators for developing novel strategies for diagnosis, treatment, and ultimately prevention of pancreatic cancer.

All patents, patent applications, and publications cited herein are incorporated by reference in their entirety. Furthermore, while the invention has been described in detail and with reference to specific embodiments thereof, it will be apparent to one skilled in the art that various changes and modifications can be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

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## **CLAIMS**

1. A method of diagnosing PNC or a predisposition to developing PNC in a subject, comprising determining a level of expression of a PNC-associated gene in a patient derived biological sample, wherein an increase or decrease of said level compared to a normal control level of said gene indicates that said subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said PNC-associated gene is selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259, wherein an increase in said level compared to a normal control level indicates said subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC.
- The method of claim 1, wherein said increase is at least 10% greater than said normal control level.
  - 4. The method of claim 1, wherein said PNC-associated gene is selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605, wherein a decrease in said level compared to a normal control level indicates said subject suffers from or is at risk of developing PNC.
- The method of claim 4, wherein said decrease is at least 10% lower than said normal control level.
  - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said method further comprises determining said level of expression of a plurality of PNC-associated genes.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the expression level is determined by any one method select from the group consisting of:
  - (a) detecting the mRNA of the PNC-associated genes,
  - (b) detecting the protein encoded by the PNC-associated genes, and
  - (c) detecting the biological activity of the protein encoded by the PNC-associated genes.
- 25 8 The method of claim 1, wherein said hybridization step is carried out on a DNA array.
  - 9 The method of claim 1, wherein said biological sample comprises an epithelial cell.
  - The method of claim 1, wherein said biological sample comprises a pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma cell:
  - 11 The method of claim 7 wherein said biological sample comprises an epithelial cell

from a pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma.

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- A PNC reference expression profile, comprising a pattern of gene expression of two or more genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605.
- A PNC reference expression profile, comprising a pattern of gene expression of two or more genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.
  - A PNC reference expression profile, comprising a pattern of gene expression of two or more genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605.
  - A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
    - a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605;
    - b) detecting the binding activity between the polypeptide and the test compound; and
    - c) selecting a compound that binds to the polypeptide.
- 16. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell expressing one or more marker genes,
     wherein the one or more marker genes is selected from the group consisting of PNC
     1-605; and
  - b) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of one or more marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259, or erevates the expression level of one or more marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605.
  - 17. The method of claim 16, wherein said cell comprises a pancreatic cancer cell.
  - 18. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605;
    - b) detecting the biological activity of the polypeptide of step (a); and
  - c) selecting a compound that suppresses the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound,

or enhances the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound.

- 19. A method of screening for compound for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell into which a vector comprising the transcriptional regulatory region of one or more marker genes and a reporter gene that is expressed under the control of the transcriptional regulatory region has been introduced, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605
  - b) measuring the activity of said reporter gene; and

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- selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is an up-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or that enhances the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is a down-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605, as compared to a control.
- 20. A kit comprising a detection reagent which binds to two or more nucleic acid sequences selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605 or polypeptides encoded thereby.
- 20 21. An array comprising two or more nucleic acids which bind to one or more nucleic acid sequences selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-605.
  - 22. A method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject an antisense composition, said composition comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a coding sequence selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.
  - 23. A method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a siRNA composition, wherein said composition reduces the expression of a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.
- 30 24. A method for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising the step

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of administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.

- A method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising
  administering to said subject a vaccine comprising a polypeptide encoded by a nucleic
  acide selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259 or an immunologically active
  fragment of said polypeptide, or a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide.
  - 26. A method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a compound that increases the expression or activity of a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 260-605
    - 27. A method for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject, said method comprising the step of administering a compound that is obtained by the method according to any one of claims 15-19.

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- A method of treating or preventing pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising
  administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of a polynucleotide
  select from the group consisting of PNC 260-605, or polypeptide encoded by thereof.
  - 29. A composition for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antisense polynucleotide or small interfering RNA against a polynucleotide select from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.
  - 30. A composition for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 1-259.
- 25 31. A composition for treating or preventing pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the compound selected by the method of any one of claims 15-19 as an active ingredient, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 32. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:

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- a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-681 and PNC 682-849;
- b) detecting the binding activity between the polypeptide and the test compound; and
- c) selecting a compound that binds to the polypeptide.

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- 5 33. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell expressing one or more marker genes, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-681 and PNC 682-849; and
- b) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of one or more up-regulated marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741, or elevates the expression level of one or more down-regulated marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 641-681 and PNC 742-849.
  - 34. The method of claim 33, wherein said cell comprises a malignant pancreatic cancer cell.
    - 35. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
      - a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-681 and PNC 682-849;
      - b) detecting the biological activity of the polypeptide of step (a); and
      - c) selecting a compound that suppresses the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by an up-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound, or enhances the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by a down-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 641-681 and PNC 742-849 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound.
    - 36. A method of screening for compound for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
- a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell into which a vector comprising the transcriptional regulatory region of one or more marker genes and a reporter gene

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that is expressed under the control of the transcriptional regulatory region has been introduced, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-681 and PNC 682-849;

- b) measuring the activity of said reporter gene; and
- selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is an up-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741 or that enhances the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is a down-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 641-681 and PNC 742-849, as compared to a control.
  - 37. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject an antisense composition, said composition comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a coding sequence of an upregulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741.
- 15 38. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject an siRNA composition, wherein said composition reduces the expression of a nucleic acid sequence of an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741.
- 39. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising the step of administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741.
- 40. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a vaccine comprising a polypeptide encoded by an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741 or an immunologically active fragment of said polypeptide, or a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide.
- 41. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a compound that increases the expression or activity of a down-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 641-681

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and PNC 742-849.

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- 42. A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject, said method comprising the step of administering a compound that is obtained by the method according to any one of claims 32-36.
- A method for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of down-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 641-681 and PNC 742-849, or polypeptide encoded thereby.
- 44. A composition for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antisense polynucleotide or small interfering RNA against an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741.
  - 45. A composition for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 606-640 and PNC 682-741.
  - 46. A composition for treating or preventing malignant pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the compound selected by the method of any one of claims 32-36 as an active ingredient, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
  - 47. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
    - a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-933;
    - b) detecting the binding activity between the polypeptide and the test compound; andc) selecting a compound that binds to the polypeptide.
  - 48. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
    - a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell expressing one or more marker genes, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of

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PNC 850-933; and

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- b) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of one or more up-regulated marker genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933, or elevates the expression level of one or more up-regulated marker genes in late recurrence cases selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-893.
- 49. The method of claim 48, wherein said cell comprises a recurrent pancreatic cancer cell.
- 50. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a test compound with a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-933;
  - b) detecting the biological activity of the polypeptide of step (a); and
  - c) selecting a compound that suppresses the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by a marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound, or enhances the biological activity of the polypeptide encoded by an up-regulated marker gene in late recurrence cases selected from the group consisting of 850-893 in comparison with the biological activity detected in the absence of the test compound.
- 51. A method of screening for a compound for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said method comprising the steps of:
  - a) contacting a candidate compound with a cell into which a vector comprising the transcriptional regulatory region of one or more marker genes and a reporter gene that is expressed under the control of the transcriptional regulatory region has been introduced, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-933;
  - b) measuring the activity of said reporter gene; and
  - c) selecting a compound that reduces the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is an up-regulated marker gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933 or that enhances the expression level of said reporter gene when said marker gene is a up-regulated marker gene in late recurrence cases selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-893, as compared to a control.

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- 52. A method of treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject an antisense composition, said composition comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a coding sequence of an upregulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933.
- 5 53. A method of treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject an siRNA composition, wherein said composition reduces the expression of a nucleic acid sequence of an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933.
- A method for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising the step of administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933.
  - 55. A method of treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a vaccine comprising a polypeptide encoded by an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933 or an immunologically active fragment of said polypeptide, or a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide.

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- 56. A method of treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a compound that increases the expression or activity of a up-regulated gene in late recurrence cases selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-893.
- 57. A method for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject, said method comprising the step of administering a compound that is obtained by the method according to any one of claims 47-51.
- A method of treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer in a subject comprising administering to said subject a pharmaceutically effective amount of a upregulated gene in late recurrence cases selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-893, or polypeptide encoded thereby.
  - 59. A composition for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antisense

- polynucleotide or small interfering RNA against an up-regulated gene selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933.
- 60. A composition for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of an antibody or fragment thereof that binds to a protein encoded by any one of up-regulated genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 894-933.

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- 61. A composition for treating or preventing recurrence of pancreatic cancer, said composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of the compound selected by the method of any one of claims 47-51 as an active ingredient, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 62. A method of predicting recurrence of PNC, the method comprising the steps of:
  - (a) detecting an expression level of one or more marker genes in a specimen collected from a subject to be predicted, wherein the one or more marker genes are selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-866 (ARGBP2, CBARA1, EEF1G, LCAT, RPL23A, RPL17, ATP1A1, QARS, BZRP, TUFM, SERPINA4, SCAP, HK1, RPS11, SYNGR2, FLOT2, and PSMB4), 894-906 (MTMR1, HT010, NPD002, YME1L1, CCT6A, HSPD1, TIMM9, GRB14, FLJ10803, LAMP1, MLLT4, CTSB, RALY);
  - (b) comparing the expression level of the one or more marker genes to that of a early recurrence case and late recurrence case; and
  - (c) when the expression level of the one or more marker genes close to that of a early recurrence case, is indicative of risk of recurrence of PNC, or when the expression level of the one or more marker genes close to that of a late recurrence case, is indicative of low risk of recurrence of PNC.
- 25 63. The method of claim 62, wherein step (c) further comprises the steps of calculating a prediction score comprising following steps:
  - i) calculating the magnitude of the vote (Vi) by the following formula:

$$V_i = |x_i - (\mu_r + \mu_n)/2|$$

in the fomula; Xi is the expression level in the sample,  $\mu_r$  is the expression level in the early recurrence case, and  $\mu_n$  is the expression level in the late recurrence case,

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ii) calculating PS values by following formula:

$$PS = ((V_r - V_n) / (V_r + V_n)) \times 100$$

in the fomula;  $V_r$  and  $V_n$  is the total vote of early-recurrent cases and laterecurrent, respectively, and

- iii) when the PS values is more than 0, determining the subject to be at a risk of having recurrence of PNC and when the PS values is less than 0, determining the risk of the subject of having recurrence of PNC to be low.
- 64. A PNC reference expression profile, comprising a pattern of gene expression of two or more genes selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-866, 894-906.
- 10 65. The expression profile of claim 64, wherein the gene expression is derived from a pancreatic cancer cell of a patient with early recurrence or late recurrence.
  - 66. A kit comprising a detection reagent which binds to two or more nucleic acid sequences selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-866, 894-906 or polypeptide encoded thereby.
- An array comprising two or more nucleic acids which bind to one or more nucleic acid sequences selected from the group consisting of PNC 850-866, 894-906.

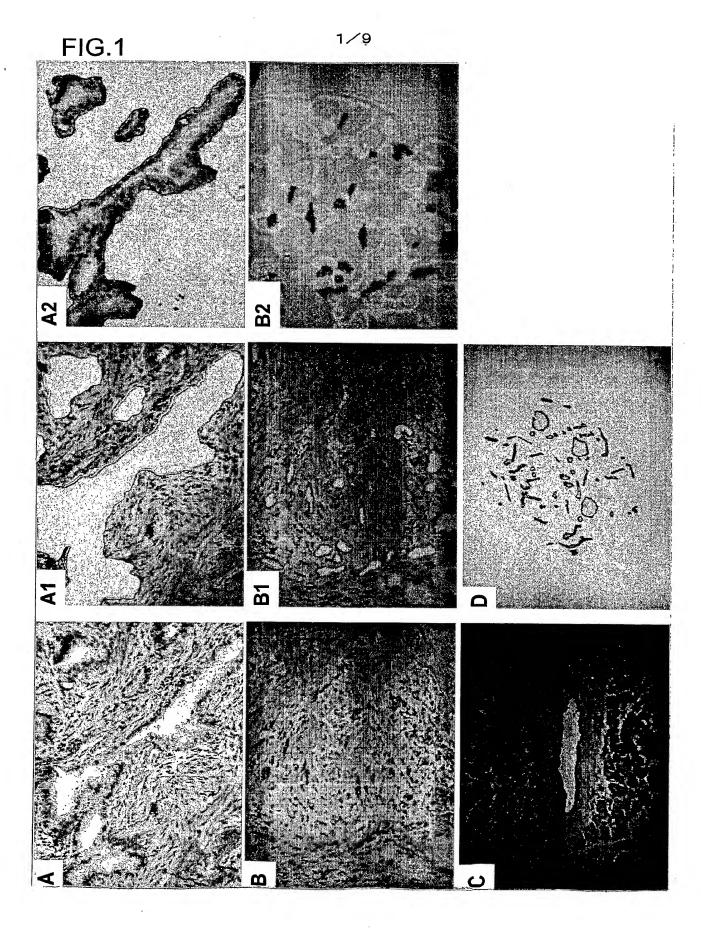


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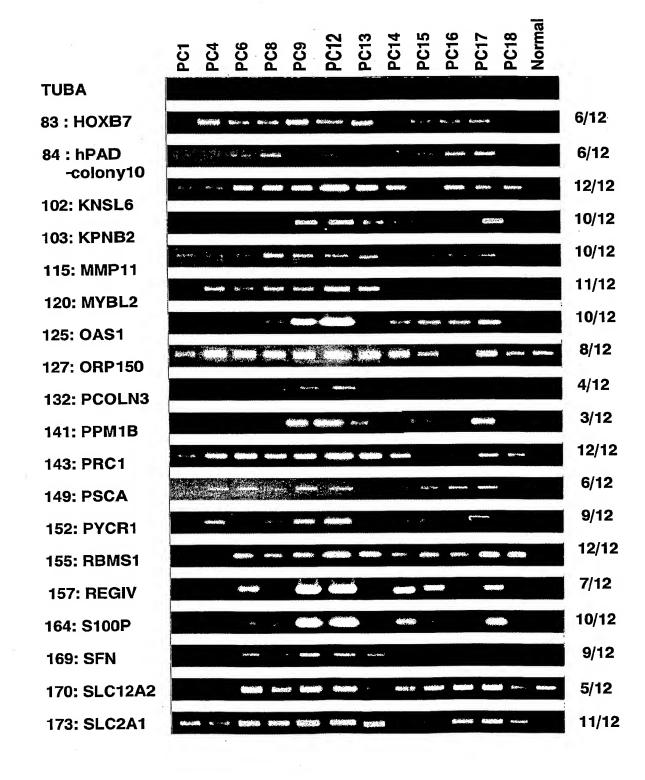
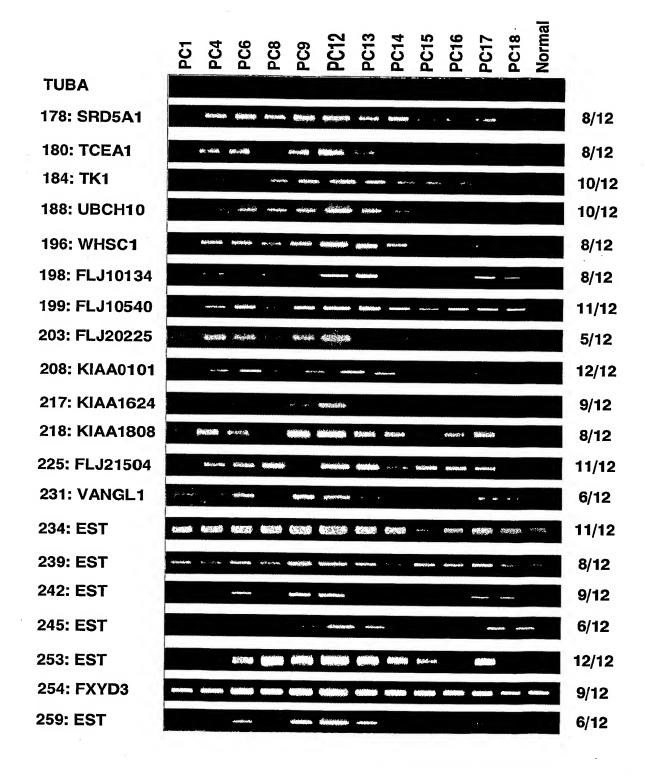


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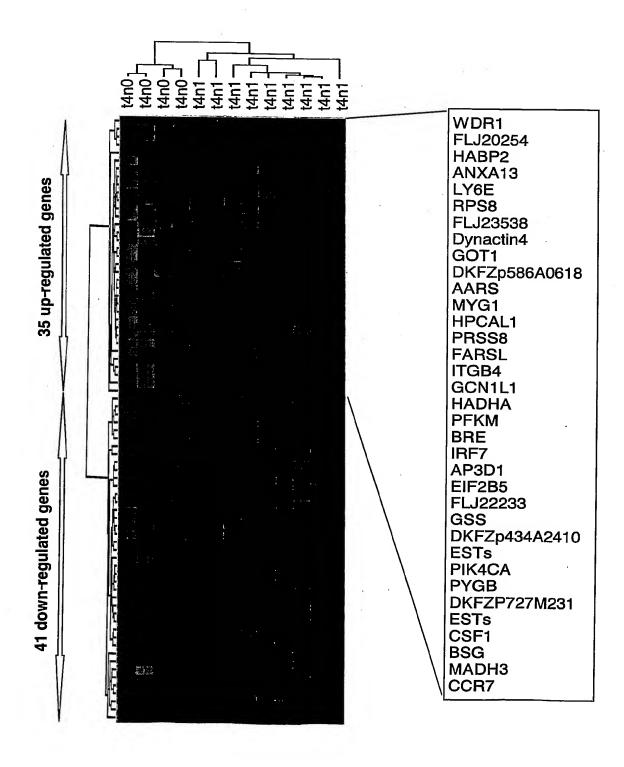


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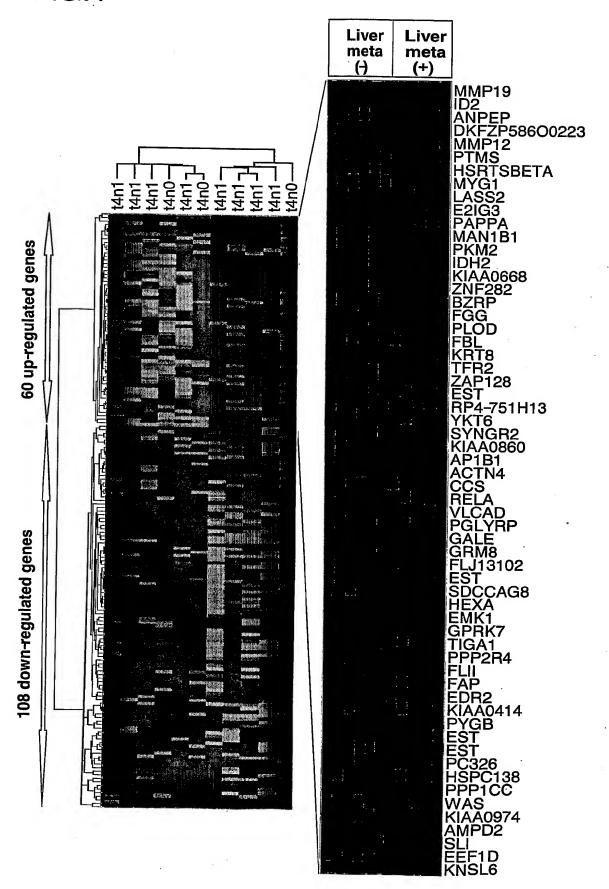


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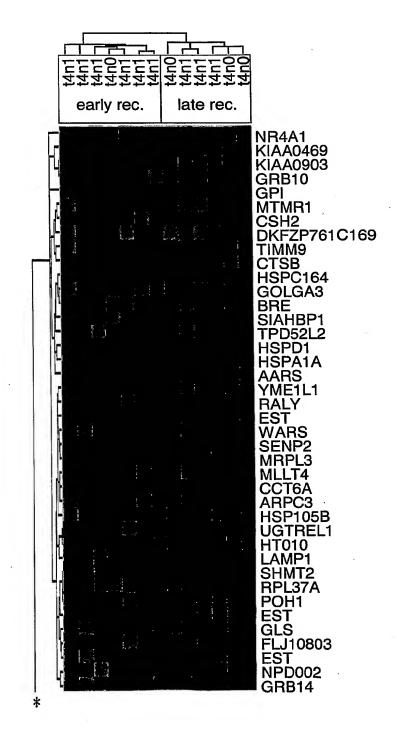
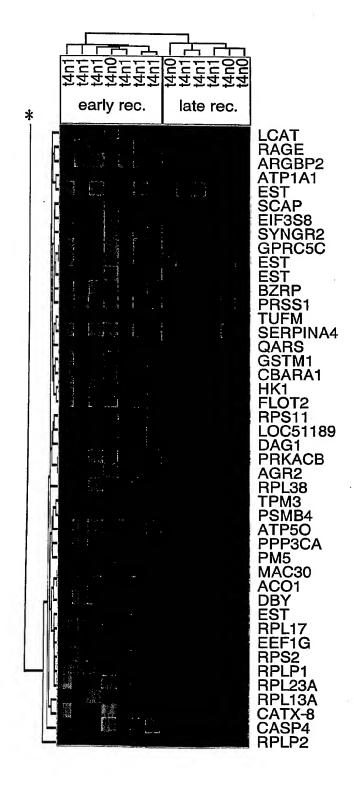


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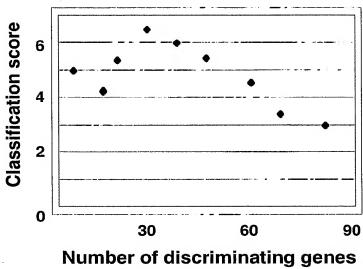
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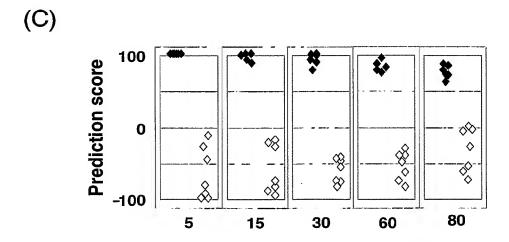
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Number of discriminating genes

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		is entitled to claim priority of earlier
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(iv)		ONCOTHERAPY SCIENCE, INC., dated 30
(,		September 2002 (30.09.2002)
VIII-3-1		an assignment from KATAGIRI, Toyomasa to
(iv)		ONCOTHERAPY SCIENCE, INC., dated 30
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